

WIRELESS INSTITUTE OF AUSTRALIA  
Western Australian Division

Minutes of Council Meeting 3rd February 2004  
Held at CWA House, Hay St., West Perth

Visitors are welcome

The meeting commenced at 1930 with the President, Neil VK6NE in the chair

Present:

Neil	VK6NE	President	
Cliff	VK6LZ	Minute Secretary	
Malcolm	VK6LC	Vice President/Federal Awards Manager	
Christine	VK6ZLZ	Membership/Web Master	
Dennis	VK6KAD	Broadcast Officer	
Trevor	VK6HTW	Federal Councillor	
Neil	VK6BDO	Education	
Eddie	VK6ZSE	WESTAC	
*Bruce	VK6OO	Treasurer	From 20.25
*Roy	VK6XV	Secretary	

The Division is governed by a Council consisting of President, Vice President, and seven Councillors, plus \*two Ex-officio Councillors.

Apologies:

Tony VK6TS Councillor

Visitors:

Claude Endersby  
Bob VK6TRA (President NCRG)

(1) MINUTES:

The minutes of the January meeting, were read by the President  
Business arising:

Due to the lack of a quorum at the January meeting the minutes were first ratified.  
VK6ZSE/VK6HTW

1..1(2.1) The Donation of ARRL Handbook and Antenna Book have yet to reach the Education Officer.

1.2(2.2). Membership Certificates are still to be printed. Action VL6ZLZ

The Minutes were accepted VK6ZSE/VK6HTW

(2a) CORRESPONDENCE IN Secretary:- Roy VK6XV.

2.1 West Australian Repeater Group:  
Reequest for help with payment of 5 year ACA licenses for seven repeaters carrying WIA news. - See General Business below

2.2 ACA Licence for VK6WI.

2.3 Exam answer sheets from Federal - passed to official marker VK6NE

(2b). CORRESPONDENCE OUT:

2.4 From VK6LC to Federal Office  
Re: Federal Awards Compact Disk

2.6 Multiple Call Books

Proposed XV/HTW carried

(3) TREASURER'S REPORT - Bruce VK6OO  
The treasurer did not give a report.

(4) BROADCAST OFFICERS REPORT - Dennis VK6KAD  
Reported that there are no real problems at present. A minor problem arose last Sunday concerning a dirty monitoring switch which has now been rectified.

(5) MEMBERSHIP REPORT - Christine VK6ZLZ  
No New Members this month

(6) EDUCATION REPORT - Neil VK6BDO

6.1. Out of 21 expression of interest for the Novice course, only one has confirmed with application, however others have voiced continuing interest.

6.2 Due to change of course venue from Whaleback to East Cannington expenses have decreased and cost of rent to the WIA will now be \$480 per annum.

Motion: That Rent of \$480 be paid (VK6BDO/VK6ZSE) carried.

6.3 The last exam was carried out last Saturday, however one question paper was corrupted with certain answers circled. So that the paper could be used, all questions were circled and federal office was notified.

(7) WESTAC -Eddie VK6ZSE

7.1 Correspondence (Email) from VK7MO (Tasmanian Technical Officer) concerning possible frequency conflict between the existing Perth repeater and the proposed VK7 (Hobart) 29 MHz repeater.

Due to shortage of other usable frequencies, VK7 request permission (on a non interference basis) to use the Perth frequency of 29.680 MHz unless we object.

Action VK6ZSE to contact the VK6RHF manager (Tony VK6YAG)

(8) FEDERAL REPORT - Trevor VK6HTW

8.1 Nothing to Report due to lack of Federal action over Holiday break

8.2 VK6NE commented that the ACA are proposing to issue Maritime Licenses again.

8.3 VK6LC pointed out that the Federal AGM is coming up shortly and that we need information from Federal concerning any proposals that should be put before our members.

(9) GENERAL BUSINESS

9.1 WARG Repeater Licenses Cliff VK6LZ presented a letter from the West Australian Repeater Group Requesting help with the payment of 5 year ACA licenses for the seven repeaters carrying WIA news. -

Motion: That council approve payment for seven 5 year licences at \$215.60 each - VK6LC/VK6ZSE - carried

(Note VK6LZ and VK6BDO expressed conflict of interest and abstained – ACA have already confirmed that Repeaters and Beacons will continue to be licensed under Apparatus Licensing)

9.2. Whiteman Park

VK6NE and VK6HTW reported on the current situation and possible plans for the Northern Corridor Radio Group to move to Whiteman Park due to the loss of facilities at Carine Tafe.

It was thought that if a second hand classroom could be installed, then there was a possibility that the accommodation could be shared with the VK6 Division of the WIA.

Much discussion ensued.

9.3 VK6WI / VK6WIA call signs and the use of.

Neil VK6NE announced that he had found VK6WI had not been issued in the current callbook. Council had been contacted and this callsign obtained for this Division. It was decided that VK6WIA would continue to be used as at present for the News Broadcast and that VK6WI would be used for “events”.

9.4 Divisional Letter Head

The call sign VK6WI should be included on the letterhead together with the fact that the Patron was the Governor of WA (Actual wording to be agreed)

Action Bruce VK6OO to follow up

9.5 National WIA

Neil VK6NE reported on the meeting of “a group of individuals” that he attended in Sydney.

Key points were yet to be finalised before a report/proposal could be put to the upcoming Federal Convention.

One point was how many grades of membership there should be?  
(VK6 Council prefers one grade of membership)  
(Note: This means that all members are equal).  
Note: Financial Grades = Full, Pensioner, Student, Family, Non AR etc.

9.6 VK6AGM - Nominations for Council 2004/2005

It was decided to accept Email Nominations, the closing date being March 5th.

Action: Christine VK6ZLZ to produce nomination form and circulate.

9.7 Mal VK6LC gave a computer driven presentation of his DX-Vacation to the Maldives last year.

(10) Meeting Closed at 2225 hours.

VK6NE (President) ..... VK6LZ (Min Sec) .....