

**January Metro Skywarn Board of Directors Meeting**  
**January 7, 2008, 6:00 pm**  
**Location, Maplewood Fire Station #1**

Directors in attendance: Tim, Howard, Sandra, Dave, Bill, Doug, Kevin  
Ex officio: Todd Krause, Jeff Goodnuff  
Other: Bryan Howell, David Gawboy  
Guests: John Wetter

- 1) Meeting called to order at 6:43 pm
- 2) Agenda adopted with addendum of discussion of meeting time as item 6h.
- 3) Secretary's report and December minutes approved as submitted to Board email list
- 4) Treasurer's report approved as submitted, balance on hand \$1,378.70
- 5) A. LCD Projector added to list of Assets, no other progress reported  
B. Operations committee members have been selected with exception of representative from Ramsey County. Meeting forthcoming after John W. contacts Jim Richardson to coordinate a meeting time. Should have most business conducted before February meeting  
C. Mailing ready, envelopes stuffed and stamped, waiting for Kevin to finish adding Hudson, WI 2007 class information. Hudson class information reported as entered by Kevin.  
D. Tim reported that the computer purchased for Golden Valley EOC has been installed and is functioning with Internet connectivity and other necessary functions. Expects purchase and installation of GRLevel3 software before February meeting  
E. Bloomington Class is scheduled same day as Skywarn Workshop, Howard will attempt to secure a different date
- 6) A. No events to review  
B. John W. thanked the Board for their support of the Minnesota Skywarn Workshop in 2007 and requested that we allocate funds to support the Workshop again in 2008 through any of the following: \$100 table rental (non-profit), \$150 break sponsorship, \$150 logo on bag, \$50 material stuffed in bag. Motion made to provide the same support as last year, table rental and break sponsorship for \$250. Bill/Kevin. Motion passed  
C. IRS has implemented new rules for tax year 2007 regarding filing requirements for 501(c)3 organizations. Sandra will investigate the requirements and take appropriate actions  
D. 1200 newsletter copies will be printed, of which 900 will be mailed. Cost for printing, \$180, postage and sorting \$200, \$365 for handling the mailing (stamping, sealing, printing addresses, etc). Total cost estimate, \$745, which is less than last year. Motion made for the expenditure, Bill/Howard. Motion passed.  
E. Newsletter will be printed as distributed via email to Board list with exception of a pending change for the Minnesota Skywarn Workshop location, an article from the Chair, and a possible date/location change for the Bloomington class. Discussion was conducted on whether to remove individual contact information from Board of Directors listing within newsletter, raised by Kevin. Kevin's email information will be removed from the newsletter when printed.  
F. Bylaws committee has submitted proposed changes to bylaws. Recommendation from committee was for 5 motions. One to accept language updates and corrections to the bylaws as a whole, and one each for the two new sections, and one each for the two re-written sections. Motion to accept language update Bill/Howard. Motion Passed. Motion to accept other four changes as amended to correct typographical errors, Howard/Tim, motion passed. Dave will handle the bylaws update and post to the reflector when changes are completed.  
G. After a year and a half Kevin has decided to step down as a Board Director, effective immediately.  
H. A discussion was had to change the scheduled meeting time back to 7 pm with the addition of an 8:30 pm ending time. Motioned by Dave/Tim. Motion passed.  
I. (non-agenda item) Howard relayed a request from the Bloomington communications group to form a Technical Committee to deal with technical issues regarding, specifically, APRS and geo-locating software/functionality implementation and difficulties with the government band radio at the Bloomington EOC that developed this year. The Technical Committee was formed, without a formal motion, as a sub-committee of the Operations Committee.

J. (non-agenda item) Howard raised the issue of Net Control Operator training. Training was referred to the Operations Committee.

7) Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm

Next meeting is on February 4, 2008 at the Bloomington EOC

Respectfully submitted,  
Kevin Huyck,  
Secretary

Addendum – 2008 Meeting locations

March 3, Golden Valley  
April 7, NWS, Chanhassen  
May 5, Ramsey County  
June 2, Bloomington  
July 7, Golden Valley  
August 4, NWS, Chanhassen  
September 8, Bloomington  
October 6, Golden Valley  
November 3, Piazza's Ristorante  
December 6, NWS, Chanhassen