

OCRA Membership Meeting Minutes – January 13, 2025

Meeting Attendees (Total of 34 in-person and on Zoom) – Bob (W4FK), Dee (KU4GC), Paul (N2XZF), Boyd (KO4GJO), Laurie (N1YXU), Bruce (N1LN), Dan (KR4UB), Dave (W4SAR), Karen (KD4YJZ), Randy (KF4O), Doug (KA5ETS), Fred (KN4QBZ), Chip (KF4WBK), JR (N4JQR), Ron (KO4RON), Patrick (KO4QLU), Sam (KJ4VWG), Tim (KC1TWR), Jose (KD4JWF), Eric (KQ4RRN), Ed (W4AEN), Ken (KO4DHJ), Steve (KZ1X), Dave (NA4VY), Bill (WW1H), Charles (KQ4TNF), Sherri (WB4OSU), Roger (N4GF), Mark (KR3AM), Marty (W4MY), Bob (W4TTX), Lee (KQ4ZZD), Matthew (KQ4ZYW), and Wilson (W4BOH).

Meeting Topics –

- Marty (W4MY), NC QSO Party Committee Chairman, thanked OCRA for its continued support of the annual event. He invited everyone to participate in the NC QSO Party scheduled for February 23 from 10:00am to 8:00pm. More information and complete rules are available on the event's website – <https://ncqsoparty.org>.
- Special thanks to Fred (KN4QBZ) for his \$100 contribution to OCRA in honor of Dee's (KU4GC) years of service to the club. Dee – We all greatly appreciate your support over several years!

NOTE: Not discussed in the meeting, but Fred asked for the following to be included. Fred's wife collects antique sewing machines and Dee had one she was interested in. Dee would not accept any money for the machine, but suggested a donation be made in place of the purchase price. Fred and his wife decided to donate to OCRA, for which we would like to thank Dee, Fred and Fred's wife.

- Dan (KR4UB) gave a Treasurer's report. He mentioned that there are 116 members with current dues paid, 4 members who need to renew their dues, and 2 members who have dues that are expiring. Typically, the number of members who have expiring memberships and the number of new members each year is about the same. This has meant that the overall membership has stayed fairly constant. Last year, OCRA had 23 new members, and 9 of these new members were newly licensed. Over the same time period, there were 14 expirations.
- You can see the full video of the membership meeting by going to this YouTube link - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GhnbaCJvy48>. The main topics included in the recording are – (1) Review of proposed verbiage updates and modifications to specific areas of the OCRA By-laws, (2) Election of the OCRA Board for 2025, and (3) Show and request presentations from individual club members.
 1. **OCRA By-laws** – Proposed verbiage updates and modifications were discussed. The proposed changes were unanimously approved by members in attendance (in-person and on Zoom). An updated document was sent to the OCRA/DFMA reflector

detailing the agreed changes. *Please note:* Additional, proposed updates will be reviewed in an upcoming membership meeting for approval.

2. **Election of the OCRA Board for 2025** - Based on a unanimous vote to accept the slate as presented, those listed in the following tables were elected to serve as indicated.

Officer Position for 2025	Candidate	Term
President	Bruce Meier – N1LN	1 year* (agreed to extension)
Vice-President	Boyd Hudson – KO4GJO	1 year (agreed to extension)
Treasurer	Ron Craig – KO4RON	2 years (start of 2-year term)
Secretary	Laurie Meier – N1YXU	1 year* (agreed to extension)

(*) Bruce and Laurie are looking for individuals who will work with them during 2025 to potentially run for office in 2026.

Board Member for 2025	Term
Wilson Lamb – W4BOH	1 year (agreed to extension)
Karen Snyder – KD4YJZ	1 year (agreed to extension)
Aurora Toennisson – KN4VXB	1 year (agreed to extension)
Chris Ferrer – KY4OU	1 year (agreed to extension)
Dave Snyder – W4SAR	2 years (start of 2-year term)
Fred Gvillo – KN4QBZ	2 years (start of 2-year term)
Bobby Cook – W4FK	1 year (end of 2-year term)

Appointed Positions for 2025	Candidate
Repeater Team Lead	Dan Eddleman – KR4UB
Web Master	Dan Eddleman – KR4UB
Programs Coordinator	OPEN
Field Day Coordinator	Dave Snyder – W4SAR
Ham Pi Lead	Aurora Toennisson – KN4VXB
Outreach Coordinator	Aurora Toennisson – KN4VXB
Emergency Communications Lead	Fred Gvillo – KN4QBZ
Net Manager	Randy Adams – KF4O
DFMA Liaison	Bobby Cook – W4FK
Training Coordinator	OPEN

3. **Show and Request Presentations** – Five individuals presented specific requests for advice and input to the membership. Please reference each of the requests by reviewing the presentations in the YouTube video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GhnbaCJvy48>, beginning at the 43-minute mark.

- The February Membership Meeting will be held on Monday, February 10.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Meier, N1YXU
OCRA Secretary