

**Minutes of the February 21st, 2016 OSSBN Semi-annual Meeting
Mansfield Ham Fest Edition**

Meeting Called to order by Net Manager KC8WH.

As K8PJ was unable to attend, KC8WH gave the Flower Fund Report. At the August 2015 OSSBN meeting we had a beginning balance of \$408.29, we collected \$82.00 at that meeting, for a total of \$490.29. We had spent \$50.00 from the Flower Fund in memory of KB8MAF's wife who passed away. The beginning balance for the 2/21/2016 meeting was \$440.29. We collected \$72.00 at this meeting for the 2/21/2016 balance of \$512.29.

N8SY gave a report on the OSSBN WEB SITE "ossbn.org." He ask that anyone having any problems with the web site please let him know so he can correct it. He also ask if members encountered any web pages they thought might be interesting to the group, to let him know so he could get the posted on the web site.

KC8WH ask all members to identify themselves.

W8TJT questioned the recent Roster changes. KC8WH, WB8SIQ, AND KB8MAF explained that it was an updated listing of actual active members.

At the August 2015 meeting in Columbus, the membership asked KC8WH to appoint a committee to review and revise the Articles of Association and the By Laws. The committee, headed by Assistant Net Manager, WB8SIQ, consisted of the following members; WA8MHO, WD8Q, N8CJS, and N8IBR.

The following changes were proposed:

Articles-

Article 5, change to read: 'The OSSBN shall meet twice a year. There shall be an annual meeting held in the summer, and a semi-annual meeting held in the winter. In addition special meetings shall be called by the Net Manager and Advisory Board when necessary. Any meeting will be conducted under "Roberts Rules of Order".

By-laws-

2. Delete the last two sentences of by-law 2. Reason, we are an independent net "affiliated with the NTS". Membership in the ARRL is voluntary.

3. Add the sentence. "The OSSBN Net manager shall have the authority to appoint any officer as deemed necessary, such as training officer, etc." Is to be added to the end of By-law-#3".

6. Change the first sentence to read: "Each session of the OSSBN shall commence with the reading of the following preamble: This is the Ohio Single Sideband Net, a part of the Ohio Section and affiliated with the National Traffic System".

8. Delete By-Law 8 as it is covered under by # 6".

9. Capitalize "National Traffic System".

11. Change By-Law #11 to read: "Any request to change the by-laws should be given to the net manager. The net manager and the advisory board members will deem the change/changes to be valid to come before the net members for approval. Voting will be in accordance to By-Law #2".

WA8MHO moved, and KC8PZ 2nd that these proposed changes be presented to the members and voted upon. It was determined by those present that it would be best to vote on these changes separate from the voting for Net Manager and 1 Advisory member.

KC8WH will appoint the necessary people to handle this.

KC8WH announced he had chosen the nominating committee for our upcoming 2016 election. 2nd year Advisory Board member N8IBR will be the chairperson. KC8WH will announce the remaining 2 members of this committee on March 1st, 2016 as per our by-laws. KD8KBX has agreed to be this year's Teller for these elections.

Old Business;

K3RC ask that as he is now the birthday greeting caretaker, all members please be sure he has your correct birth date.

WD8Q discussed the recent problem with stations not matching Net Controls frequency. Remember, Net control is always on frequency, and you are to match their frequency.

WB8SIQ moved, W8TJT 2nd, that the Net Manager purchase (and be re-reimbursed for) the current copy of "Roberts Rules of Order". Approved.

Motion to adjourn, WB8SIQ, 2nd K3RC. Approved.

Respectfully submitted, N8IBR