

## **MINUTES OF FADCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEEETING** **February 14, 2009 – HamCation Orlando Florida**

Meeting started at 0910.

Treasurer N0IA reported (unaudited 2/13/09) \$2,129.37 total FADCA funds in the bank with no outstanding liabilities or credits. The required year-end treasurer's report for 2008 will be available on the FADCA website soon.

Appointment of Directors of Odd-Numbered districts was made by President Doug Christ KN4YT

District 1 – vacant

District 3 – Wayne Burkett

District 5 – bud Thompson N0IA

District 7 – Ray Cook WD4SEN

Several items of general interest were discussed.

1. Since FADCA is not spending money for anything other than the annual registration for the state of Florida – should FADCA continue collecting dues? Comments included -

If we do that how will we tell members from non members for voting?

How do we get members to resume paying dues once we need the money?

If FADCA had a project to spend some money – then on-going collection of dues would be warranted

2. It is not clear to many outside FADCA if FADCA is an official sponsor of the Layered Packet network. (Actually it may not be clear to FADCA members.) Perhaps FADCA should officially sponsor the Layered Packet Network – or somehow provide counsel or advice for network expansion, etc.

3. The possibility of holding 'district or local' get-togethers to discuss network technical items in more detail was discussed. Cost of driving and likely low level of interest among members seemed to be the major argument against such. Also much can be done via e-mail for those who are truly interested.

4. FACT: FADCA is no longer the official frequency coordinating body for packet frequencies in Florida. That function has been returned to the Florida Repeater Council. However FADCA should continue actively keeping track of and maintaining accurate and updated frequency lists of all packet devices (nodes, switches, BBS, etc.) The frequency coordination data base on the website does not reflect the actual usage. Also, the current forms to register and update sites are found by many to be cumbersome. Once again all Directors are requested to compile and file a report to Neil W4NHL on all frequencies, locations, etc being used in their respective districts. A good place to start would be for each Director to review devices listed on the database in his district and report those known to not be active!

5. The FADCA WEBPAGES need to be updated – it is far too busy and has much outdated material. Web manager Free W1NPR is open to what ever needs to be done but needs input from all! Bring it on! Post your notes on the [fadca@mailmain.org](mailto:fadca@mailmain.org) reflector for all to see/comment – Free will determine what changes he should make. Of prime concern is a mapping scheme that can accurately indicate packet network sites, LAN information, etc, that can be readily updated.

5. Network-wide automatic (WP) routing was discussed. A solution for the original discord for through routing between Linux FPAC and FLEXNET was reported to now be available. However it appears there may be reluctance to include the fix among some sysops.

6. bud N0IA reported that there is a good chance the Orlando switch will be moved from Deltona to a more appropriate site in Orlando before May 1<sup>st</sup>. If a site is not available by June 1<sup>st</sup>, the switch will no longer be active at bud's QTH.

Other than re-appointment of directors, no action was taken during this meeting.

Attendance: Doug KD4MOJ – Dist 8  
John WB4MOZ – property manager  
Ray WD4SEN – Dist 7  
Jerry KD4YAL VP  
Doug KN4YT – Dist 6 and President  
Bud N0IA – Dist 5 and Sec/Treas

Meeting was adjourned at 10:30.

Respectfully submitted,

bud Thompson N0IA  
Sec/Treas  
March 5, 2009