07/17/25 Presentation Meeting Minutes

David Rawley (N3AT) President called the Board Meeting to order at 7:30pm. (We had a quorum of membership members.) David announced that our Presentation speaker, Francis Donovan (W3LPL) would be delayed until 8pm. Meanwhile, David listed the following upcoming events:

- Kit Building July 27th
- Maryland QSO Party August 9th
- Elections in November
- Holiday Party in December

Keith Miller (AE3D) gave an update on the Satellite Station installation project. Keith stated that the team meeting most Sundays and work is progressing. They need to purchase a Grounding Kit and Flaring tool for the project. Keith was optimistic that the Satellite Station would be up and running in August.

John Maceo (KC3UDJ) Membership Secretary presented the following applicants for a membership vote:

- Kirk Bond (KD0WSH) technician
- Mark Rochlin (KD3BOH) technician
- Harold Shelby (KC3YPV) general
- John Venable (N1RSK) advanced
- Drew Trent (KN4VWB) extra
- Frank Ziembo (KC3VHG) technician
- David Bittner (KD3ABO) technician

The applicants were voted in unanimously. John stated that the new members would be added to the membership emails and would receive instructions for accessing the membership sections of the club website. receive emails. John also stated that he was still catching up on older membership applications and that any problems should be reported to him for follow-up.

A short video presentation on the Inverted-L antenna was given while waiting for Francis Donovan to join and give the main presentation.

Keith Miller (AE3D) gave a brief description of the Maryland QSO party including an example of when he and Jim Wallace had traveled to all the Maryland counties making contacts for one of the events.

Francis Donovan (W3LPL) joined the meeting remotely and gave an excellent in-depth presentation on 6-meter propagation and operations followed by a question-and-answer session. Frank said that he would provide a copy of his presentation to the club via email. (Footnote: Frank owns and operates a world class Amateur Radio station and antenna farm at his residence. Please visit his QRZ page for further information.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41pm.