

## **EIDXA minutes of the October 5th, 2012 meeting.**

The meeting was called to order by our President, Rick, NØYY at 7:30 PM. 28 hams answered the CQ call. Introductions were made all around.

The October meeting is the beginning of our fiscal year and dues were due at this meeting. For those who did not provide dues, please send them to me via snail mail. Treasurer reported a balance of \$1208.73 which was accepted.

Secretary's report was noted in the newsletter and accepted.

Our Webmaster Jason, KDØMND, provided us with updates on our web pages. Jason did a fine job on the new formats. They are available to review at [EIDXA.org/testing](http://EIDXA.org/testing). Jason noted the buy-sell page is available for our members use.

Al, KØVM reported no repeater problems.

Tom, WB8ZRL reported that he has an IP address, but the cluster is not complete.

Our annual elections were held. Our new President is Craig Fastenow, KØCF. Vice President and newsletter editor is Jerry, WWØE, and our Sec/Treasurer is Rich, W3ACO. Votes were unanimous!

NØYY mentioned that there was a request from Phil, G3SWH to support a 2-man expedition for H44KW. Solomon Islands are #99 on the DX news list and we decided not to support this effort.

There was a discussion about how to develop a methodology to assist us in deciding to support or not support DXpeditions. Our present informal criteria includes: Top 50 as per DX News, no 6 meter or EME only expeditions, no holiday style operations. Operators may be 2 or 20 and be able to work the HF bands in a serious way. We added that the effort should be 5 days minimum. We also had exceptions in the past when a member of a DXpedition was known by EIDXA. Ron, NØSL will work with W3ACO to develop a more formal spreadsheet to help us decide.

Meeting was formally adjourned at 8:15 PM.

An excellent presentation of DX4Win was provided by Craig, KØCF. It was quite detailed and there were several questions. Requests for Craig's consultation services about use of this program were made by several club members.

Meeting informally adjourned about 10:00 PM.

Richard, W3ACO