

Kendall Amateur Radio Society

Regular Monthly Member Meeting November 6, 2025



- Meeting called to order by President Tom (KI5KUI) at 7:00 PM.
- Quorum met: 4 officers, 3 directors, 10 members and 5 visitors.
- Tom (KI5KUI) recognized the 4 new visitors and opened the floor for short introductions.
- Jesse (W1BBT) stated the minutes for the October 2025 meetings were posted on the website.
 Don (KI5AIU) motioned to accept the minutes as posted on the website, 2nd by Fred (KI5VRF), no objections, motion carries.
- Fred (KI5VRF) presented the treasurer's report:

Kendall Amateur Radio Society Financial Summary October 2025

	Oct 25
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Income	-44.17
Expenses	65.89
Repeater Equipment Purchased/Donated	0.00
Repeater Equipment Retired	0.00
Repeater Equipment Depreciation	0.00
Cash for Assets Sold (+) /Donated(-)	285.00
Assets Donated/ Revalued (included in Income)	65.00
Net Cash Incr/(Decr) for period	239.94
Cash at beginning of period (September 30, 25)	24,848.78
Cash at end of period (October 31, 25)	25,088.72

- Fred (KI5VRF) presented the membership dues for 2026, explaining that the membership fees have not been able to cover our operating expenses. Silent Key donations have been making up the differences in the past. Based on our budget, the board agreed to set the 2026 membership dues to \$30. This still presents a potential shortfall in the budget, but at this amount the shortfall could be covered by the reserves.
- Rick (N5RCT) announced the following proposed bylaws change in Section V:
 - 3. Applications for voting membership, properly filled out and accompanied by the prescribed dues set forth in these Bylaws, may be presented at a regular meeting of the members. A majority vote of the members present at the meeting is required to admit prospective members to KARS voting membership. If an applicant for membership should be rejected by the membership, the fee accompanying the application will be returned to the applicant.

A vote to accept this change will be held at the January 2026 meeting.



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- Marsh (WA5UBO) announced that next month will be the Christmas Dinner at the Pipe Creek VFD on December 4th at 6pm. KARS provides the turkey, and there will be a signup sheet on the website showing what everyone is bringing.
- MARSH (WA5UBO) noted that KARS has been requested to assist Boerne Police Department with the Dickens on Main St. event on November 28-29. Up to 8 people will be needed, and 6 have already been identified.
- MARSH (WA5UBO) stated he has safety vests in various sizes to test fit. The vests will be \$83.30 and will have the KARS logo, your name and callsign embroidered.
- MARSH (WA5UBO) gave a tower repair report. The point of contact with the tower company was failing to respond, so when contacted it turned out that person was no longer with the company. The new POC has been given the details and brought up to speed. The other tower company no longer have enough crew to take on this job. The county changed their entire procurement process and now requires 4 estimates and is no longer a quick process. Mark (KJ5CBL) presented concerns that this process has been dragging on and that the county could pull the funding. Mark (KJ5CBL) made a motion that someone be appointed or someone volunteer to assist Marsh getting the tower project completed. A short discussion ensued, and Rick 2nd the motion. A floor vote was made 9 for, 8 against. Tom asked the floor for a volunteer, no one stepped forward so Tom volunteered.
- Tom (KI5KUI) opened elections for secretary, vice president and one director position.
 The slate presented were:
 - Secretary: incumbent Jesse (W1BBT)
 - Vice President: incumbent Rick (N5RCT)
 - Directory: incumbent Marsh (WA5UBO)
- Tom (KI5KUI) opened the floor for additional nominations for secretary. None came forward, and a floor vote approved Jesse (W1BBT) unanimously to another term as secretary through December 2027.
- Tom (KI5KUI) opened the floor for additional nominations for the director position. Mark (KJ5CBL) nominated himself and addressed the members. A floor vote was taken and Marsh (WA5UBO) was elected to another term as director through December 2028.
- Tom (KI5KUI) opened the floor for additional nominations for vice president. None came forward, and a floor vote approved Rick (N5RCT) unanimously to another term as vice president through December 2027.
- Don (KI5AIU) gave his annual presentation on "What your XYL can get you for Christmas"
- Jesse (W1BBT) gave a demonstration of his POTA/EMCOMM setup.
- Mark (KJ5CBL) brought up that we should use Zoom to broadcast the meeting. Jesse (W1BBT) will look at the logistics for being able to add that capability.
- Mark (KJ5CBL) will have the first ARES meeting prior to the regular January meeting.
- Rick (N5RCT) brought up our January meeting will be on the 14th (Wednesday) due to the 1st
 Thursday is the 1st and the library is closed.
- Jesse (W1BBT) brought up that we will be participating in Winter Field Day January 24th and 25th. Jesse (W1BBT) will post more information on the website, but will be a similar format as it was this year.



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- A Motion to Adjourn was made by Don (KI5AIU) and 2nd Fred (KI5VRF), no objections, motion carries.
- Meeting adjourned at 8:36pm