Society of Midwest Contesters Board of Directors meeting 25 January 2024 via Zoom conference call revision 1.1 30 January 2024 attending:

Rick Dickens KY0Q, Gary Sutcliffe W9XT, Lyle Ten PasWE9R, Scott Meister, K2CUB Mike Ricketts W9MR, Jim Walter WT9U, Ed Picha N9EP, Mike Metroka WB8BZK Dave Prichard W9QL

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mr. Ricketts

Item 1: Mr. Picha provided an update on the treasurer transition. Mr. Caldwell is now on the Chase checking account and is working to update the PayPal account.

Item 2: A motion to remove Mike Kasrich AJ9C from the Chase account was offered by Mr. Ricketts, seconded by Mr. Walter and approved by voice vote. Mr. Caldwell will follow through with Chase to remove Mr. Kasrich from the account.

Item 3: A motion to modify rules to provide free membership to anyone age 25 and under was offered by Mr. Meister, seconded by Mr. Metroka and approved by voice vote.

Item 4: Extended discussion of budget. The proposed 2024 budget is as follows:

| 2024 Budget               |            |
|---------------------------|------------|
| Dues and Donation Revenue | \$3,800.00 |
| SMC Fest                  | \$0.00     |
| Supersuite Sponsorship    | \$450.00   |
| Plaques                   | \$2,500.00 |
| Paypal fees               | \$300.00   |
| Liability                 | \$200.00   |
| SMC LAA                   | \$200.00   |
| SMC Medals                | \$400.00   |
| Election service          | \$40.00    |
| WA7BNM                    | \$100.00   |
| Web Hosting               | \$75.00    |
|                           |            |

\$4,265.00

action item: Mr. Caldwell and Mr. Picha to provide a more accurate number for 2024 revenue action item: Mr. Picha to work with Paul Borque at ARRL to determine the cost of plaques in 2024 and find out why 2022 plaques have not shipped.

A motion to accept the proposed budget was offered by Mr. Prichard, seconded by Mr. Walter and approved by voice vote.

Item 5: The next Board meeting was tentatively scheduled for 18 July 2024 at 6 PM.

Item 6. Discussion regarding moving some amount of money into an interest-bearing account. The

Board was generally in favor but concerns were expressed about tax implications. Action item: Mr. Picha to discuss with Bob Ronk W9AP who has had experience in this area. Action Item: Mr. Picha to work with Mr. Metroka who is currently resolving similar questions with a different club.

An adjournment motion was offered by Mr. Meister, seconded by Mr. Walter and approved by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM

Respectfully submitted on 30 January 2024 by Ed Picha