Minutes of the Third Plenary of the General Assembly

The third plenary meeting of the 19th General Assembly of IARU Region 2 started as established at 1500 hours on October 14, 2016 at the O’Higgins Hall. The Secretary of IARU Region 2 welcomed the participants and asked them to be seated to start the session, explaining to them that it would be carried out according to the agenda established, which corresponds to the text highlighted in bold in this document.

1. Inauguration of the Plenary
   1.1 President Leandro welcomed the participants and thanked committee chairmen and secretaries for their efficient work and for finishing such work on time. President Leandro read the first paragraph of Committee A report of since he considered that it applies very adequately to the entire Assembly: “The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, thanked each and every author and society for their reports. Besides, he congratulated every officer, director and volunteers for their achievements and recognized their hard work on behalf of amateur radio in Region 2. He recognized the contributions and achievement of each Member Society that submitted their Triennial Reports, which describe the actions carried out in each country during the period between assemblies”.

1.2 Afterwards, he informed about the recent passing of the King of Thailand, Bhumibol Adulyadej (HS1A), patron of the Radio Amateur Society of Thailand, who was once a very active and appreciated radio amateur.
   1.2.1 He requested the audience for a minute’s silence to honor HS1A.
   1.2.2 He requested the authorization of the Assembly to send, on behalf of IARU-R2, a condolence message, channeled through RAST.

2. Committee A – Administrative
   The Secretary gave the floor to Committee A chairman, Alfonso Tamez, XE2O, and to secretary Ernesto Syriani, LU8AE, who proceeded to present a detail of the activities of the committee. Due to the large number of reports received and analyzed, the Committee presented details only about those societies that have had more activity during the period or have problems of greater transcendence.
The following resolutions were adopted:

CE-A-01-FMRE:
Recommend to the Executive Committee to send a petition to CITEL to request uniform legal-technical treatment to the amateur radio service in all countries, with special attention to the problem of Mexico.

CE-A-02 RCP:
1) The proposal of Radio Club Peruano for Lima, Peru to be the venue of the 20th General Assembly in 2019 was approved unanimously.
2) It was agreed that the proposal of Argentina to be the venue of the 21st General Assembly in 2022 will be taken into consideration.

At the end of this intervention, the floor was given to Oscar Pancorvo, OA4AMN, of Radio Club Peruano, who was grateful for the appointment of Lima as the venue of the 20th General Assembly in 2019 and made a presentation about Peru and Lima, ensuring all participants that they will make their best efforts for the Assembly to be successful.

CE-A-03 Changes in CEPT T/R 61 licenses:
It was unanimously accepted to recommend IARU-R2 to request CITEL that its member countries adhere voluntarily to this requirement, considering that they issue a recommendation of a mechanism that allows reciprocal and automatic operation among its members.

CE-A-04 QSL Bureau Policy:
The following recommendations were approved unanimously:
1) That the Assembly replies to IARU Administrative Committee that, unanimously, Region 2 does not wish to modify Resolution 85/9.
2) To encourage the use of Logbook of the World (LOTW)
3) To request from member societies an annual statistical report of incoming and outgoing bureau activity, with a standard format and procedure to that effect.

Presentation of reports
All the reports from member societies, officers and directors were analyzed, which led to the following recommendations:
1) CE-R-07 Area C Director: That Member Societies in their annual and triennial reports clearly identify the statistics about amateur radio licenses in each country in a standard manner
2) CE-R-14 News Coordinator: That the EC informs those Member Societies wishing to publish news items in IARU-R2 bulletin to do so in a concrete and specific manner, with references to links, since it is impossible for him to process the complete bulletins that he receives regularly.
3) CE-R-21 Region 1: That Member Societies in the Region request to the authorities of their respective countries that in the coming WRC-19, they support the allocation of the 50-54 MHz segment with their favorable vote.

4) CE-R-23-RCH:
   1) Prepare a list of the most important proposals adopted in prior Assemblies that are still current and whose implementation is under way. A follow-up instrument will be added. The list would be prepared by a committee of volunteers to be appointed to that effect.
   2) Committee A asks the EC to promote the exchange of best administration and management practices between Member Societies in the three regions.

3. **Committee B/C – HF/VHF Band Plan**
   The presentation of Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT and Flavio Archangelo, PY2ZX, chairman and secretary of the Band Plan committee followed; they presented their work, proposing the following:
   1) Approve the modifications to the current band plan, Band Plan 2013 of IARU Region 2, according to the document presented to the Assembly.
   2) “To move towards an ongoing band planning process rather than the current every three year update and contribute to bring band plans progressively into alignment on a global basis”.
   3) “The B/C Committee recommends to Region 2 General Assembly that it should solicit support from other Regions to create a process for global band plan alignment”.

The General Assembly approved the three proposals unanimously.

4. **Committee D – Finance**
   Treasurer Donawa, with Committee secretary George Gorsline, VE3YV, analyzed the financial statements and their supporting documents, reaching the conclusion that they are within the expectations, requesting that the Assembly:
   1) Receives and accepts the Financial Statement Audit of IARU-R2 to December 31, 2015. The motion was approved unanimously.
   2) Approves the budget of IARU-R2 for 2017-2019 as proposed. The motion was approved unanimously.

5. **Committee F – Credentials**
   The Credentials Committee reported that credentials and proxies from the following member societies have been duly received to this date:
**Societies Present**

1) ARRL (USA)  
2) CRAG (Guatemala)  
3) FMRE (Mexico)  
4) GRC (Ecuador)  
5) LABRE (Brazil)  
6) RAC (Canada)  
7) RCA (Argentina)  
8) RCCH (Chile)  
9) RCH (Honduras)  
10) RCP (Peru)  
11) RCU (Uruguay)  
12) RCV (Venezuela)  
13) TTARS (Trinidad & Tobago)

**Societies represented by proxy:**  
14) CRAS (El Salvador) proxy to RCH  
15) CREN (Nicaragua) proxy to CRAG  
16) RCD (República Dominicana) proxy to RCV  
17) LCRA (Colombia) proxy to FMRE  
18) VERONA (Curazao) proxy to TTARS  
19) RSB (Bermuda) proxy to RAC  
20) LPRA (Panama) proxy to LABRE  
21) SVGARS (St. Vincent) proxy to ARRL  
22) RCCR (Costa Rica) proxy to RCA  
23) JARA (Jamaica) proxy to GRC  
24) RCB (Bolivia) proxy to RCU

Member societies eligible to vote: **Twenty-four (24)**

He also indicated that proposals were received for candidates for the following positions:
**Candidates:**
Ramón Santoyo V., XE1KK, requested to be removed from the list of candidates to Secretary, maintaining his candidacy for Vicepresident.

**Position: President**
- Reinaldo Leandro YV5AM Reelection
- Gustavo de Faria Franco PT2ADM LABRE

**Position: Vicepresident**
- Ramón Santoyo V. XE1KK Reelection + FMRE
- Galdino Besomi CE3PG LABRE + RCCh

**Position: Secretary**
- José Arturo Molina YS1MS Reelection

**Position: Treasurer**
- John “Jay” Bellows KØQB LABRE + ARRL

**Position: Area A Director**
- George Gorsline VE3YV Reelection + LABRE

**Position: Area B Director**
- John “Jay” Bellows KØQB Reelection + LABRE + ARRL

**Position: Area C Director**
- Ramón Santoyo XE1KK Reelection + FMRE + LABRE

**Position: Area D Director**
- José Arturo Molina YS1MS CRAS
- Marco Tulio Gudiel TG9AGD Reelection + LABRE

**Position: Area E Director**
- Noel Donawa 9Y4X Reelection + LABRE

**Position: Area F Director**
- Gustavo de Faria Franco PT2ADM Reelection + LABRE

**Position: Area G Director**
- Galdino Besomi CE3PG Reelection + LABRE + RCCh
- Ernesto Syriani LU8AE RCA
After presenting the nominations, the Secretary stated that there was going to be a 15-minute break for the installation of the Electoral Committee.

After the break, an explanation was given to the delegates about the voting mechanism, so that the voting would be transparent and in an orderly manner. They were also reminded that the voting is carried out in two parts; first, one corresponding to president, vicepresident, secretary and treasurer, where according to our regulations, those two positions elected that obtain the higher number of votes are automatically elected for area directors.

After the election, Committee E chairman Francisco José de Queiroz, informed the delegates and the audience in general about the results of the election, which are shown in the following table:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Position</th>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Votes</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>In favor</td>
<td>Against</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>President</td>
<td>Reinaldo Leandro, YV5AM</td>
<td>16</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vicepresident</td>
<td>Ramón Santoyo V., XE1KK</td>
<td>19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Secretary</td>
<td>José Arturo Molina, YS1MS</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Treasurer</td>
<td>John “Jay” Bellows, K0QB</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Area A Director</td>
<td>George Gorsline, VE3YV</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Area B Director</td>
<td>John “Jay” Bellows, K0QB</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Area C Director</td>
<td>Ramón Santoyo V., XE1KK</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Area D Director</td>
<td>José Arturo Molina, YS1MS</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Area E Director</td>
<td>Noel E. Donawa, 9Y4X</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Area F Director</td>
<td>Gustado de Faria Franco, PT2ADM</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ara G Director</td>
<td>Ernesto Syriani, LU8AE</td>
<td>16</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

When the election was over, the secretary gave the floor to president Leandro, who thanked those present for their participation, congratulating the winners of the election and declaring the 19th General Assembly of IARU Region 2 officially ended.

Viña del Mar, Chile, October 14, 2016.

José Arturo Molina, YS1MS
Secretary of IARU Region 2