W9UUU TO OPERATE INDIANA QSO PARTY MAY 6

The WVARA will set up W9UUU and participate in the INQP on Saturday May 6, 2017. We will set up and operate from our new property located on Sidenbender Road near 25th and Margaret Avenue. We will focus on having a good time while putting W9UUU on the air. Check the website for further details concerning the operation.

Vote to Approve Expenditure at May Meeting

An un-budgeted expenditure for magnetic signs will be presented for approval of the membership at the May meeting Friday May 5, 2017. The expenditure is for \$350 to acquire 10 magnetic signs.

Vote to Approve Proposed Amendments at May Meeting

The WVARA Executive Board has approved amendments to the WVARA Constitution & Bylaws. These amendments will be presented to the membership for adoption at the general meeting to be held on Friday, May 5, 2017.

The proposed amendments are detailed below, and have the following effects:

- Designates both *The Bandspread* and the WVARA website as the official publications of the Association.
- Specifies that all required notifications to the membership shall be posted to the website and an e-mail sent to the current membership notifying them of the posting. While official notices may still be published in *The Bandspread*, it will no longer be required.

These proposed amendments are being published in this special edition of *The Bandspread* as currently required by the Constitution.

Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association, Inc.

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution & Bylaws

Constitution

Article VI of the Constitution shall be amended as follows:

Old Text:	This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those holding full
	membership present at any regular meeting. The proposed amendment shall be
	advertised by publication in <i>The Bandspread</i> prior to the meeting.
New Text:	This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of those holding full
	membership present at any regular meeting. The proposed amendment shall be
	advertised by publication in accordance with Article VII, Section II.

Article VII of the Constitution shall be re-titled as follows:

Old Title:	ARTICLE VII – The Bandspread
New Title:	ARTICLE VII – The Bandspread and Website

Article VII, Section I, of the Constitution shall be amended as follows:

1	The Bandspread, the official publication of the Association, shall be sent to all members, one copy per household.
	The Bandspread, along with the Association website, shall constitute the official publications of the Association, and shall be made available to all members.

Article VII, Section II, of the Constitution shall be amended as follows:

Old Text:	Any official notice to the membership required by the Constitution or its Bylaws shall appear in an issue of <i>The Bandspread</i> , and said issue shall be postmarked at least five (5) days prior to any action by the membership on said notice.
New Text:	Any official notice to the membership required by the Constitution or its Bylaws shall be posted to the Association website, along with a notification by e-mail of the posting, at least five (5) days prior to any action by the membership on said notice.

Article X, Section II, of the Constitution shall be amended as follows:

	Withdrawal from the fund shall be made only after approval by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting, following notice of said withdrawal to all members in <i>The Bandspread</i> before the meeting at which the vote is taken.
	Withdrawal from the fund shall be made only after approval by a two-thirds majority of members present and voting, following notice of said withdrawal to all members in accordance with Article VII, Section II.

Article X, Section III, of the Constitution shall be amended as follows:

An annual budget shall be prepared by the Executive Board for publication in the February Bandspread for approval at the February meeting.
An annual budget shall be prepared by the Executive Board for publication in accordance with Article VII, Section II, for approval at the February meeting.

Article XII, Section I, of the Constitution shall be amended as follows:

	The Bylaws of the Association may be amended at any regular meeting by a two-thirds vote, the proposed amendment having been previously announced in <i>The Bandspread</i> .
	The Bylaws of the Association may be amended at any regular meeting by a two- thirds vote of the members present, provided the proposed amendment was previously announced to the membership in accordance with Article VII, Section II.

<u>Bylaws</u>

Article II, Section III, of the Bylaws shall be amended as follows:

Old Text:	The Secretary shall have the following duties:
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	c. Give notification of dues payable through <i>The Bandspread</i> .
	d. Maintain an active membership list and publish same in the March <i>Bandspread</i> .
New Text:	The Secretary shall have the following duties:
	c. Give notification of dues payable through <i>The Bandspread</i> and on the website.
	d. Maintain an active membership list and publish same in the March Bandspread
	and on the website .

Article II, Section IV, of the Bylaws shall be amended as follows:

Old Text:	
	e. Insure that expenditures in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be submitted to the Association for approval following prior notification in The Bandspread. f. Send a monthly updated list of those who have paid dues to: The Secretary, The Bandspread Publisher, and any board member who may request it. g. Perform all other duties pertaining to the office.
New Text:	. e. Insure that expenditures in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) shall be submitted to the Association for approval following prior notification in accordance with Article VII, Section II, of the Constitution. f. Perform all other duties pertaining to the office.

Article II, Section V, of the Bylaws shall be amended as follows:

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Article V, Section I, of the Bylaws shall be amended as follows:

Old Text:	A nominating committee shall be appointed by the President in September to select a slate of candidates who have agreed to serve as officers if elected. The committee's report will be due in November and shall be published in the December issue of <i>The Bandspread</i> .
New Text:	A nominating committee shall be appointed by the President in September to select a slate of candidates who have agreed to serve as officers if elected. The committee's report will be due in November and shall be published in accordance with Article VII, Section II, of the Constitution.

Article VI, Section II, of the Bylaws shall be amended as follows:

Old Text:	The item will be advertised for sale in <i>The Bandspread</i> and sealed bids from Association members will be solicited. A deadline for these bids will be published. Each bid must state the member's name, item name, and amount of the bid. The Executive Board may state a minimum bid.
New Text:	The item will be advertised for sale in accordance with Article VII, Section II, of the Constitution and sealed bids from Association members will be solicited. A deadline for these bids will be published. Each bid must state the member's name, item name, and amount of the bid. The Executive Board may state a minimum bid.