

**Ethics and Elections Committee
January 2018 - ARRL Board Meeting**

The second half of 2017 was just as busy as the first half was for the Ethics and Elections Committee. Items discussed have included:

1) Director and Vice Director Elections

We handled petitions for the fall election cycle from 17 candidates. One candidate was not certified. We committee reviewed 300-word statements from each candidate. Ten candidates in five Divisions were on the ballots for the fall election cycle. Three Directors and three Vice Director races had no competition so a single candidate was declared elected in each race.

During the election cycle two complaints from one candidate were reviewed and no action was taken.

There was concern about ballot delivery in one state but it turned out to be a delay in the US Postal Service delivery in one state, and eventually ballots arrived in time..

Chairman Frenaye represented the E&E Committee at the ballot counting on November 16th in Newington.

2) Section Manager Elections

A question about a Section Manager petition was reviewed, as was an ethics complaint about a different Section Manager. No action was taken.

3) Code of Conduct

The ARRL Policy on Board Governance and Conduct of Members of the Board of Directors and Vice Directors (Code of Conduct) established in January 2017 was the focus of three complaints in the second half of the year. This resulted in one recommendation for action sent to the Board of Directors. The other two are still open as of this writing.

This was the first time the Code of Conduct required close review and analysis by the committee and we found a few areas where some improvements could be made.

Thanks to Jim Pace, K7CEX, and Kermit Carlson, W9XA, for their good counsel and input to the extensive discussions we have had during the past six months.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Frenaye". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent loop at the end of the last name.

Tom Frenaye, K1KI, Chairman

Jim Pace, K7CEX

Kermit Carlson, W9XA

10 January 2018