

**Report of the First Vice President  
ARRL Board of Directors  
July 2019**

Thank you for the continuing opportunity to serve as First Vice President. Below is a brief summary of my activities in the first half of 2019.

**Executive Committee**

As in the past, I have been an active participant in the issues considered by the EC, at the in-person meetings and via e-mail. This includes reviewing FCC filings and other legal matters brought to the EC. I continue to act as the informal liaison between the EC and the Administration and Finance Committee.

**Special Committees**

In May, on my motion, the Executive Committee chartered a small group to investigate ARRL's member communications: the Committee on Communication with ARRL Members. The members are Greg Widin, K0GW, chair; Fred Hopengarten, K1VR; Howard Michel, WB2ITX; Dave Isgur, K1RSN; and David Bernstein, AA6YQ. The committee so far has met once by phone conference, and will meet again face-to-face, just prior to the July 2019 Board meeting.

The HF Bandplanning Committee has had no tasks assigned to it during 2019. Accordingly, there will be no report from that committee at this Board meeting.

**LoTW Committee**

I continue to serve in 2019 as Chair of the Logbook Committee. The committee was made a permanent committee by action of the Board in January 2019. The committee meets every month—face-to-face preceding each Board meeting and before the quarterly meetings of A&F or EC, when those meetings occur in Newington. We meet via webinar in other months. The committee's report is available as Board Document 20. 2019 is shaping up to be a lackluster year for Logbook, for reasons described in the committee's report.

**Conventions and Meetings**

Besides the January meeting of the Board, I attended the following so far in 2019:

- April – A&F Committee meeting (Denver)
- May – Hamvention, (Dayton/Xenia)
  - Executive Committee meeting (following Hamvention)

Respectfully submitted,  
Gregory P. Widin, K0GW  
First Vice President