August 7, 2017 Board Meeting

Present:

President Ron K4TCP Tom W4DAX
Vice-President Ken W4KBN Steve KE4THX
Treasurer Dave K4DLE Joe KJ4BNC
Secretary Linda KM4WBN Bryce K4LXF
Bob NG4R Jenny WA4NGV

David AE4ZR

Meeting started at 1930 with Ron introducing guests: Will Green and Randy Potts from the Boy Scouts. They talked about JOTA- Jamboree On The Air. They are asking for volunteers to help with the October 31st Jamboree. They will be having a local meeting on Thursday, August 17th at the Ridge Baptist Church in Goose Creek at 7pm. Tom, David, and Ken will attend the 17th. Those volunteering will have to have an application and the Youth Protection form. We were assured that there will be better communication this year. David proposed and it was decided that our club will participate this year. Will Green is the contact and his cell number is 843-276-8531. Joe mentioned that if you say you will be at the event, you must be there. More info to come...

Ron had no report.

Ken had no report.

David-Treasurer's report is attached.

Linda had no report, but said she would like to look into contacting the Girl Scouts and see if there are any merit badges that we could help out with that could include ham radio.

Tom reported that two new members were added to the roster. He said he would get name tags for those who say that they have not yet received one. He also said that he would send a current roster to just the Board members (to protect personal information).

Bryce- Repeater- reported that the 27 machine stopped linking up so he contacted John Place and was told it was an antenna problem. Fixed by the use of a Duplexer to use the 2m antenna. Adam's Run is working with the same system with no problems.

David VE report: There was a question about why the question about any felony convictions was not on our form. The old form is still on the website. Anyone testing will be given the correct form at the test site. David said that the test session on the 16th will be run by Ron as it is Velma's birthday that day. Tom suggested a birthday card for her.

Brian W4BFZ was absent and thus no QSL report although there is mail awaiting him. Joe had no new presentation.

David suggested a presentation on what JOTA is.

Old Business:

Nominating committee Dave K4DLE: He said he would be willing to take the President's position. He also said that the current members seemed pretty willing to stay. He asks that Brian send out an email about other nominations.

Ron said that he will have reports about K4PSA, Operating Day, the Balloon Launch, and other things at the membership meeting.

Steve reported on Winter Field Day- we were 62nd out of 182.

New Business:

SCPOTA- David AE4ZR is willing to chair a POTA committee, to include Brian, Tom, Ken, and Larry. They will be out at Givhans Ferry State Park this Saturday, August 12th. David will borrow the club's 897 radio and Ken's Big Ear antenna. Park opens at 9am and they will be setting up and operating then.

Joe has suggested that the club invest in a AED machine for club events and Dave has asked for a training session for it if we do purchase one. Joe has volunteered to do the research for this machine.

David reported that the latest Balloon launch in Monck's Corner only went up for 30-40 feet and burst. This is the second incident like this. It was suggested that the balloon was not filled to capacity. There is to be another launch on Wednesday, August 8 and then another on Thursday, August 9.

Steve is looking for someone to take over the responsibility for the TARC trailer as he has done it for the last 6 years. This will be presented at the membership meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 2050.

Secretary

Linda Wilson KM4WBN