

## January Board Meeting 1/2/2017

Meeting opened at 1930 local time.

Present were:

Ron K4TCP

Ken W4KBN

Linda KM4WBN

Bryce K4LXF

Tom W4DAX

Steve KE4THX

David AE4ZR

Bob NG4R

Roy K5RES

Brian W4BFZ

Joe KJ4BNC

Ron opened by telling us of his surgery coming up. Best wishes there from all.

Ken had a marathon question.

Answer: there are 26 mile markers that they would like to have manned by a ham.

Would be checking in periodically, reporting the first male and female runner to show and any injuries/accidents, etc.

This is for Saturday, January 14. Volunteers will be served shrimp and grits and get a t-shirt after. Volunteers need to bring their own equipment and dress warmly.

Dave was absent, but, per phone said he had no report.

Secretary asked for a call for any old files that maybe had been forgotten about for archives.

Also mentioned was for more activity on Facebook.

Brian said that mail chimp could be linked into Facebook. He will be looking into that.

It was also mentioned that there was a 'boost' for Facebook that, for a price, would target specific demographics on Facebook like an advertisement. Further information is needed.

Tom addressed membership dues and that some were continuing to trickle in. This was followed by a question about penalties and the prorating of new member's dues. After a lengthy discussion, the subject was dropped without any changes being made.

Bryce reported that he was working on the repeater announcements from the 27 machine where they originate from. The Yorktown repeater now has new batteries and a switching network for power failures. He reports that there is a generator on site, but, we do not have access to it at this time.

The reported buzz saw on the 146.94 Knightsville repeater was unlinked and has been linked back in and the interference is now minimal. The 441.575 is broken and will not link into the system at this time.

Bryce is still looking for the contact for linking the repeaters for the Hunley SES on February 17 from 0900 to 1500 local time.

David reports that they are now asking potential VEs to go online and then their credentials would be sent from here to North Carolina. He is also looking at a small case for a printer for the VE team to carry with the computer recently acquired.

Brian reports that only one QSL card came in.

Joe and Steve will be doing a short presentation this month about the upcoming Operating/Field Day.

Steve commented that he would like to have an idea of how many would be interested in Baluns so he could figure the supplies needed ahead of time.

Reforge is still on for February.

Steve is playing phone tag with the City of Hanahan about Operating Day. Times and would we be allowed to stay overnight.

Old Business:

Direct all tech class questions to Bryce.

Hunley SES set-up at 8am. Start time of 9am. End time of 3pm and take-down completed by 4pm, all local times. Still some discussion about after 3pm stations from home stations. Swamp Fox Club still willing to help out.

Museum Ships had no report.

The contact for the coming balloon launch will be coming to the membership meeting this month.

Reminder of Tailgate and fish fry on May 20.

Tom told us that the fee for our website has been paid.

New Business:

Congrats to Bob NG4R for 60 years in Ham Radio!

Tom has been going through QRZ and sending out info to newly licensed hams, in our area, about our club and such. He has requested to be reimbursed for postage that he has been paying out of his own pocket. This was approved.

January dinner meeting has been proposed for Sushi 101 in Goose Creek for January 26. 1800 seating and order at 1830.

Brian will be putting out another email asking for volunteers for the Marathon this month.

Meeting dismissed at 2042 local time.

Linda

KM4WBN

