

November 6, 2017 Board Meeting

Present were:

President Ron K4TCP	Bob NG4R
Secretary Linda KM4WBN	Robert Wilhite AJ5E
David AE4ZR	Bryce K4LXF
Peggy Reese W4ZBR	Brian W4BFZ

Meeting started at 1930 by President Ron.

He reported that we just need Dave K4DLE's signature on the Financial Audit.

Also, a thank you letter will be sent to Randy MoneyMaker for the use of the Hanahan Recreation Facility and restrooms at no cost.

Vice-President Ken W4KBN was absent. No report.

Treasurer Dave K4DLE was absent. No report.

Secretary Linda Km4WBN had no report.

Tom W4DAX was absent. No membership report.

Bryce reported no problems except the ongoing noise on the Wallace repeater. This repeater is owned by the state and we have no control over any repairs if needed. We could possibly unlink this if necessary.

David VE reported that there is no one pre-registered for the Wednesday, November 15 test session at this time.

Brian QSL Manager reported that he has a stack of cards including 3 from SC POTA. Will bring to the membership meeting. All cards have been responded to. The question was asked if we want a small run of QSL cards for SC POTA.

Brian also asked if we have a LOTW account. He will set one up.

Presentation Committee spot is still open. Ron said he would talk to Rob Dean about taking the lead for scheduling presentations.

Old Business:

K4PSA still having their Friday afternoon meetings.

HL Hunley Special Event Station. This will be on Saturday, February 17, 2018 at Breech Inlet. The Presbyterian Church needs to be contacted for restrooms. November 30 is the deadline for submission to the ARRL. David is POC.

Museum Ships- Robert Wilhite POC reported that he has certificates for participants for 2017.

SC POTA- David, Ray Miller, and Larry Gatton will be at Oconee State Park this coming Saturday. They will camp there Friday night and might be on the air Friday night. They will have commercial power and operate SSB. KFF-2908, EM85JI.

Picnic and operating day on November 4 was a great success. Four member stations were operated. A thank you letter is being sent for the facility. Robert Wilhite asked about electrical problems at the shelter. It has been noted that we need an appointed Control Operator in the future. Those operating above their license privileges need to use the club call N4EE.

New Business:

New TARC equipment- It has been suggested we purchase a tripod and pushup mast for safety reasons and ease of set-up. Suggested was the MFJ 1921 tripod and the MFJ 1906 mast. Also an auto-tuner, the MFJ-993 at a cost of approx. \$250 from HRO. These potential purchases will be brought up for a vote at the membership meeting. We do have the money that was not spent for the Hanahan site that could be put to these purchases and Bob has approx. \$83 from the radio raffles to put in also. Old ladder antenna set-up to be kept for showing what can be done with everyday household items.

One of our generators needs an oil change. The matter will be brought up for a volunteer at the next membership meeting also.

Christmas Party December 16th at Sticky Fingers. Seating at 6pm and ordering at 6:30. Bring a wrapped gift for the gift exchange. Value \$15- \$20.

There will be no membership meeting in December the Christmas Party will be in it's place.

David informed us of tentative plans for March or April 2018 for SC POTA at Charlestown Landing. It would include a cold menu picnic. Admission to our designated site would be waived if we stay at our site and do not wander around. Restrooms would be available, if at a small walk. A generator will be allowed and there are about 6 picnic tables at that site. It was suggested that our small canopy be put up over the tables.

Secretary

Linda Wilson

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