

March 6, 2017 Board Meeting

Meeting started at 1930.

Present were:

Ron K4TCP	Brian W4BFZ
Ken W4KBN	Joe KJ4BNC
Dave K4DLE	Robert AJ5E
Linda KM4WBN	Steve KE4THX
Tom W4DAX	Jenny WA4NGV
Bryce K4LXF	Larry Sparks KN4AYL
David AE4ZR	Bob NG4R

Ron asked for items to add to the agenda for future meetings.

Ken had no report.

Dave gave the treasurer's report (to be attached when received). An approximate balance of \$1869. Dave proposed that the treasurer's report be given once a month at the membership meeting instead of twice. It was agreed on.

Linda had no report.

Tom had no report. He asked if we should charge for a replacement name badge. It was agreed that \$5 was fair for a badge. He asked the secretary to email him a reminder about Robert Wilhite for a new badge with his new call sign.

Bryce repeater report: Knightsville repeater still not linked into system. No further information about the announcements on the repeaters. He needs to talk with John Place again.

Dave suggested maybe having a presentation on repeaters and their programming.

Bryce explained thoroughly about the difficulties with working with the repeaters.

David with the VE testing reported that there are 4 preregistered for the March 15th test session. He will be talking with all the VEs about scheduling who works what session- three this month. There will be a test session at the Citadel on March 22nd, with 8 registered to take the test. The team has been asked to hold a test session for the Berkeley County ARES class. Location to be announced. David also mentioned that they not do so many away sessions. He requested for a fourth VE for the 22nd test session and that Ron be present at the session on the 15th because of the new computer being setup.

Brian now has 24 QSL cards.

Joe- Presentation, Ron is still on for this month. Joe and Steve are doing Baluns in April.

Ron asked for suggestions for May. Joe volunteered Bryce for a presentation on the repeaters and controllers.

DX Engineering has offered to do presentations via Skype.

Steve has brought up that the new officers need to do the Ham of The Year for 2016. Also, there are usually 2-3 'Johnny on the Spot' awards given each year. So, in other words, we officers need to get busy here!

Old Business:

Museum Ships- we are on the list (17 ships at this time). Starts at 8pm on Friday June 3rd and runs for 48 straight hours. It was suggested that we operate only during the daylight hours because of the lack of contacts during the overnight hours last year.

Robert has suggested a trophy for the club with the most contact between TARC and CARS. A FRIENDLY competition. Might have other events included. He offered to present this idea to the CARS club.

Balloon launch update- they have a dish antenna for the launch. Still no further information about any help we might provide.

Tailgate for May 20th everything is good to go.

New Business:

Field Day June 24th and 25th, Steve said he still needed help with providing food. Dave asked about ARRL t-shirts. More info to come...

Ladies' Field Day May 6th. There has only been one person express interest so far. It was suggested that we invite the Ladies from CARS. Ms. Jenny asked for an email about this. Tom has offered Reforge to us at no charge. Thanks, Tom. POC Linda Wilson.

Linda will be send out personal invitations to several ladies associated with the club if she has not heard from anyone soon.

Tom W4DAX was scheduled to the Tuesday 2 meter net, but Tom AJ4UQ will be net control instead.

Dave mentioned that he has QSL cards for K4PSA.

Meeting adjourned at 2033.

Linda Wilson

KM4WBN

Secretary

