

## LARA Meeting Minutes, August 18, 2018

President, Ron Ford, KF5OMH, called the meeting to order at 8 am.

Pledge of Allegiance to U.S.A.

### Officers in Attendance:

President: Ron Ford, KF5OMH  
Vice President: Mike Reitz, W5EVT  
Treasurer: Clark Highsmith, K5LGX  
Secretary: Ron Swain, KG5VIV  
Operations Officer: Dale Chatham, WA5WNI  
Technical Officer: Jim Horton, WB8YWA  
VEC Officer: Steve Kline, W5JK

### Attendance:

Members:

- Dan Bates, KG5OIY
- Roger Carver, AE5EZ
- John Courtney, K15BBE
- Tracy Edwards, AB5TE
- David Jackson, N3PQ
- Judy Jackson, W5SKJ
- Frank James, KG5ZNJ
- Bob Linker, W5SQA
- Walter Logan, AG5CF
- Joe Magnusson, N5PLY
- Lonnie Pringle, KG5KNT
- Marty Wells, KM5OI

### Guests:

- Cody Carver, aspiring radio operator
- Randall Patrick, KG5VQZ

### Meeting Minutes for Last Meeting

Minutes from the [July meeting](#) were presented in the News Letter. No corrections called for.

Motions to approve June meeting minutes as presented.

Motion by: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Seconded by: Dan Bates, KG5RJR

Approved by members

### Treasurer's Report

Clark Highsmith, K5LGX, presented the Treasurer's Financial Report as of Aug 16, 2018.

We are going to receive a payment from Amazon Smile.

Be sure to bring a visitor to get a ticket towards drawing for most new members.

### Checking Account

Checking Beginning Balance: \$3613.03

### Income

ARRL	\$49.00
Total Income	\$49.00

### Expenses

ARRL	\$47.00
Misc	\$10.00

	Total Expenses	\$57.00		
Checking Ending Balance:			\$3,605.03	
Petty Cash (included in balance)				\$3.00

**Club Assets:**

For Sale	\$0.00		
Stock (not for Sale)	\$789.95		
Loaner Equipment	\$1,395.00		
		\$2,184.95	
<b>LARA NET VALUE</b>			\$5,789.98

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Seconded by: Dale Chatham, WA5WNI

Approved by members.

**Vice President Report**

Mike Reitz, W5EVT presented the report

Promoting JOTA. Brochures are out in area businesses

JOTA is Jamboree on The Air which is an event to promote amateur radio in the Scouts.

JOTA is at Connor Pavilion, Lake Park. Two HF stations and VHF station. Need help as loggers, and station operators.

**Technical Report**

Jim Horton, WB8YWA presented the report

Jim Horton, note that the repeater 145.170 is up and working.

Reminder of Information Help Net ever Wednesdays at 7pm.

He is going to chair a committee to develop a ToGo Box.

Motion to approve Technical Report as presented.

Motion by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Seconded by: David Jackson, N3PQ

Approved by members.

**Operations Report**

The Operations Report was presented by Dale Chatham, WA5WNI.

Not getting much response out of public schools for promoting amateur radio.

There were several comments about ways to go about getting into the schools.

Motion to approve Operation Report as presented.

Motion by: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Seconded by: Dan Bates, KG5OIY

Approved by members.

**Pubic Information Report**

The Public Information Report was presented by Ron Ford

Fire department open house will be October 13, 10am to 3pm. We have set up with their EOC management to share space in their mobile unit. If you would like to help talk to Ron Bath or Ron Ford.

If you have something you would like to add to the newsletter please see it to Ron Bath.

**VEC Report**

Steve Kline, W5JK, presented the VEC Report at the meeting

Scheduled dates for testing:

9/15/18 10:00-12:00

12/15/18 10:00-12:00

All Testing is at the Lewisville Fire Station #1.

DCARA has post ponded their class until September.

Dale Chatham is putting together a General class. He would like input as to you needs.

#### **ARES**

Training Net – Thursdays Sept 21 @ 7pm, 146.920. Always on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month.  
July newsletter has new training requirements.

#### **Old Business**

*Medical City Lewisville:* Ron Ford, KF5OMH is still working with the Medical City Lewisville manager which has received permission to move the station. It is to be moved into a building 100 yards from the present location. We are looking for folks to operate that set of radios. It should be General or higher licensed because they have HF.

*By-Laws Revision:* Those were sent out a month ago and sent a second time a few days earlier. Steve Kline requested we not put Association monthly minutes in the Association newsletter but put a link to it from the newsletter due to the bulk of minutes being a lot to print and/or wade through to get to the other part of the newsletter.

Motion to approve of By-Laws Revision as presented.

Motion by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Seconded by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Approved by members.

*Linking 145.170 repeater to Ecolink:* Mike Reitz, W5EVT has started to look in to this. Due to the association agenda we need to **table** this for the time being. **TABLED**

#### **New Business**

MRC Medical Reserve Corps needs Amateur Operators. <https://mrc.dentoncounty.com>

#### **Announcements & Upcoming Events**

*September: Dinner gathering Sept 8<sup>th</sup> Tierney's  
Repeater operations. - Andrew Koenig, KE5GDB, (DCARA member)*

*October: Lewisville Fire Department Open House Oct 13<sup>th</sup>.  
JOTA event Oct 20 10am-5pm*

*November: Swap meet 11/17/18*

*December: Christmas part: December 15, 2018 7 PM Korner Café, Lewisville.  
License testing Dec 15, Lewisville Fire Station #1  
Santa On the Air Dec 21-22*

*January: Introduction SKY Warn Dale Chatham,  
Winter Field Day Jan 26-27, 2019*

*February: Introduction to DXing. Steve Kline, W5JK*

*Sci-Tech Discovery Center, Frisco 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month, Contact: Michael Porter, KF5LDJ, kf5ldj@arrl.org*

Breakfast Location:

Mill Street Diner, 727 S. Mill Street

#### **Presentation**

Our presentation was brought to us by Roger Carver, AE5EZ  
Roger presented a lesson on antenna builds for HOA and portable use.

#### **Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned.

*Ron Swain*

Minutes are submitted:

Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Secretary

September 8, 2018