

## LARA Meeting Minutes, August 17, 2019

President, Ron Ford, KF5OMH, called the meeting to order at 8:00 am.

Pledge of Allegiance to U.S.A.

Noted a quorum was present.

### Officers in Attendance:

President: Ron Ford, KF5OMH  
Vice President: Roger Carver, AE5EZ  
Treasurer: Clark Highsmith, K5LGX  
Secretary: Ron Swain, KG5VIV  
Operations Officer: Mike Reitz, W5EVT  
Technical Officer: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

### Appointees:

VEC Officer: Steve Kline, W5JK  
PIO Officer: Mike Weston, KI5DLF  
Education/Youth: Perry Abernethy, NE5ET

### Members in Attendance:

Marty Wells, KM5OI  
Sean Compton, KI5COU  
Tracey Edwards, AB5TE

### Guests in Attendance:

Tod Farrell, WE5TR  
Mike Asselta, KD0CDQ

### Meeting Minutes for Last Meeting

Minutes from the **July 20, 2019** meeting were presented in email. No corrections called for.

Motions to approve June meeting minutes as presented.

Motion by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Seconded by: Clark Highsmith, K5LGX

Approved by members

### Treasurer's Report - Clark Highsmith, K5LGX

*Treasurer's Financial Report as of **August 12, 2019**.*

#### Checking Account

Checking Beginning Balance: \$2,743.56

#### Income

Events \$150.00 (city refund)

Total Income \$150.00

#### Expenses

Miscellaneous \$42.44

Total Expenses \$42.44

Checking Ending Balance: \$2,851.12

Petty Cash (included in balance) \$0.00

Club Assets:

For Sale	\$00.00	
Stock (not for Sale)	\$2,519.28	includes radio purchase
Loaner Equipment	\$375.00	
		\$2,894.28
LARA NET VALUE		\$5,745.40

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion by: Ron Swain, KG5VIV

Seconded by: Mike Weston, KI5DLF

Approved by members.

**Vice President** – Roger Carver, AE5EZ

**Meeting Programs:** Roger has scheduled several presentations:

Sept 21 - Frank James - KG5ZNJ - LARA club - Beginner's Guide to C4FM using repeaters and ZumSpots.

Nov 16 - not confirmed - Robert Alan - N5IKD - DCARA club - Getting started in Direction Finding techniques and equipment.

Roger will present a bio on presenters in the newsletter.

Roger is always looking for presentations for club meetings.

**Technical Report:** Jim Horton, WB8YWA

**The Repeater** 145.17 is working well, but we are not able to put it into information mode.

**Training Committee:** We have 8 on the committee and 5 or 6 that will be teaching. We have to determine what days we are going to have the class days. We have one student. Jim has the ARRL slides and Steve Kline is trying to get a power point presentation from W5YI. The Technician Class is in November.

**Operations Report:** Mike Reitz, W5EVT

**Western Days Special Event** We will have a list of operators that will be on the air at the parade progresses and through the day working this as a special event. The parade is at 12 noon. Mike Reitz will submit the application for our float. Our theme is to show who we support.

**JOTA** – October 19: We will start at 10 am until 5 pm at the Connor Pavilion at Lake Park Campground. We would like everyone to come out.

**Christmas Party:** Saturday December 14, 2019, 6:30pm, Korner Café.

**Youth Education:** Perry Abernethy, NE5ET

**Radios in the Schools** – Students that were connected to this were shut down by the schools. Schools are requiring a huge amount of political hurdles to cross. After discussion, we came to the conclusion we should go with a Youth In Radios theme instead of going through the schools since they make it very difficult to work with them.

**Science Fairs** – Is still up in the air.

**Public Information Report:** Mike Weston, KI5DLF

Mike Weston is waiting on a 30-day window to send out publicity information for JOTA.

Mike Weston has been working on the FaceBook page putting information out there.

He has gotten with the PIO officer of the North Texas Section to combine efforts to make a bigger impact on JOTA programs.

**VEC Report:** Steve Kline, W5JK

Today is test day. We have another test coming up in November.

**Old Business**

**LARA Training & Infor Net:** We are looking for individuals to take Wednesday night Net controller positions. We have all the information you need to run the Net and will help you implement it, until you are comfortable.

**Scouting World Jamboree,** We have information about the participation for this year.

Amateur Radio Demo	3,043 Scouts
Amateur Radio two-way contacts Logged	4,163 contacts
Countries Contacted	86 DXCC Countries
ARDF – Foxhunting Participants	211 Scouts
International Space Station Contact	240 Scouts and Leaders
Balloon Launches (3 during Jamboree)	73 Scouts

**New Business**

**Newsletter Editor:** David Jackson, W5YS has volunteered to assume the duties and is looking for anyone that has information to contribute to the newsletter. You can contact David at 940-345-0060 and/ or [W5YS@aol.com](mailto:W5YS@aol.com).

**Webmaster:** Ron Ford is looking for a webmaster so if you would like to consider this opportunity, contact Ron.

Next Officer Meeting September 17, 2019

Next Business Meeting September 21, 2019

**Announcements & Upcoming Events**

**LARA** Information and Help Net – each Wednesday @ 1900 on the 145.17 repeater  
ARES Training Net – 3rd Thurs. @1930 on 146.92 repeater  
North American QSO Party - SSB, Aug 17 1800Z – Aug 18 2359Z  
N7C Navajo Code Talkers Aug 14-Aug 18, 0000Z-0000Z  
K7T Founding of Pima Air Museum Aug 17, 1600Z-2100Z  
W2W 50th Anniversary of Woodstock Concert, Aug 17-18, 1200Z-1800Z  
Several SES for Lighthouse/Lightship Weekend Aug 17-18  
K7R First Transcontinental Railroad 150, Aug 17, 1900Z-2359Z  
K9TAL American Legion 100th Anniversary, Aug 23-27, 1330Z-1830Z daily  
Ohio Statewide Courthouses On The Air, Aug 24, 0900Z-1600Z  
Hawaii QSO Party, Aug 24 0400Z – Aug 26 0400Z  
WY7U First Transcontinental Railroad 150, Aug 24-25, 1500Z-0300Z  
Kansas QSO Party, Aug 24 & 25  
Ohio QSO Party, Aug 24  
K0ASA Pony Express 158th Anniversary, Aug 25, 1430Z-2100Z  
Route 66 Special Event – Sept. 7 thru 15. **We are having an inter club contest (sharpen you CW skills that is the only way you can do it)**  
**LARA** Western Days Special Event – Sept. 28  
**LARA** JOTA – Oct. 19, 1000 – 1700  
**LARA** Christmas Party – December 14

**Presentation:** Tod Farrell - WE5TR - DCARA club - Demonstration of Digital modes w/ emphasis on FT4 and FT8.

**Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn was made by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT  
Seconded by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA  
Motion passed by vote.

*Ron Swain*

Minutes are submitted:  
Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Secretary  
September 20, 2019