

LARA Meeting Minutes, June 15, 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: absent

Appointees:

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

Members in Attendance:

Dave Jackson, W5YS
Dale Finley, KB5NFT
Tracy Edwards, AB5TE
Jim Davis, AG5UZ,
Larry Wilson, WW5LS
Marty Wells, KM5OI
Thomas Quinn, KG5VIU

Guests in Attendance:

Billy Akos, KG5ZAP
Bill Akos, KG5ZAT

Meeting Minutes for Last Meeting

Minutes from the [May 18, 2019](#) meeting were presented in email. No corrections called for.

Motions to approve February meeting minutes as presented.

Motion by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Seconded by: Perry Abernethy, NE5ET

Approved by members

Treasurer's Report - Clark Highsmith, K5LGX

Treasurer's Financial Report as of [June 15, 2019](#)

Checking Account

Checking Beginning Balance: \$3,499.23

Income

Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Total Income	\$0.00

Expenses

Events	\$55.00 (Field Day) stamps
Miscellaneous	\$106.00 Mail box
Total Expenses	\$161.00

Checking Ending Balance: \$3,338.23

Petty Cash (included in balance) \$0.00

Club Assets:

For Sale	\$0.00	
Stock (not for Sale)	\$1,744.28	
Loaner Equipment	\$375.00	
		\$2,119.28
LARA NET VALUE		\$5,457.51

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion by: Perry Abernethy, NE5ET

Seconded by: Dave Jackson, W5YS

Approved by members.

Vice President – Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Meeting Programs: Roger has scheduled several presentations:

Thomas Quinn is here today to do our presentation.

July 20 - Ken Mitchell - KD2KW - LAARK club - Station Grounding Techniques and Methods

Aug 17 - Tod Farrell - WE5TR - DCARA club - Demonstration of Digital modes w/ emphasis on FT4 and FT8.

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

Oct 19 - not confirmed - Robert Alan - N5IKD - DCARA club - Getting started in Direction Finding techniques and equipment. Roger will present a bio on presenters later.

Technical Report: Ron Ford, KF5OMH

Jim Horton, WB8YWA is not present today.

The 145.170 repeater is doing fine. Our thanks to DCARA for allowing us to use it.

The officers decided to hold off on doing a Technician class due to DCARA having a class in the near future.

Ron Ford, KF5OMH noted that ARRL is changing the question pool on the General test the first of July.

Operations Report: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

We have Field Day coming up next weekend, June 22 & 23.

Western Days Special Event we start preparation right after the Field Day is over. We will be setting up a trailer for the parade with a station set up.

JOTA – October 19: Planning will go into full operation this next week.

Christmas Party: December 14.

Youth Education: Perry Abernethy, NE5ET

Perry has set up with Coach Rich when he returns to set up a plan for the next school year.

He has also contacted the International Science Fair, for the Fort Worth regional to sponsor an award.

Perry is also contacting the Colleyville High School to see about working with their monitors.

Public Information Report: Ron Ford, KF5OMH

Ron announced that Mike Weston, KI5DLF has agreed to be our PIO officer.

VEC Report: Steve Kline, W5JK

We have a test session today.

Dates for testing is on Club meeting dates 6/15, 8/17.

We need to consider another date for testing in November.

Old Business

Amateur Radio Week Proclamation: We received the proclamation from the Lewisville City Council.

Hamvention: No one went to Hamvention.

Ham Com: It seemed like attendance was down this year. Marty Wells, KM5OI showed us a tape measure setup for determining radio wave lengths. Jim Horton, WB8YWA passed his Extra license test while Ham Com.

Special Events/Contest Comments: There have been several contests over the last month.

ARES Comment: We had a Skywarn event recently where someone got on the air and tied up the net babbling about things that did not pertain to the event. We need to stick to the specific criteria that is asked for by the Net Control.

New Business

LARA Training & Info Net: Ron thanked Roger and Steve for thanking them for taking over the net due to his absence. Ron made a plea for others to step up and volunteer to run the net as net control. We discussed possible getting DCARA to allowing us to put announcements on the 145.170 repeater prior to our Wednesday night net and LARA club meetings on the 3rd Saturday of the month. We are having good attendance on the Wednesday night net.

ARES members should complete IS 100, 200, 700 and 800 courses by the end of June. It is required by the Denton County.

Kids Day – TODAY 1800-2359 UTC (<http://www.arrl.org/kids-day> for additional info)

IARU HF World Championship -- July 13-14 2019
(<http://www.arrl.org/iaru-hf-championship> for additional info)

Scouting World Jamboree – July 22 thru Aug. 2 (<https://k2bsa.net/world-jamboree-na1wj/> for additional

Next Officer Meeting July 11, 2019

Next Business Meeting July 15, 2019

Announcements & Upcoming Events

LARA Information and Help Net – each Wednesday @ 1900 on the 145.170 repeater

ARES Training Net – 3rd Thurs. @ 1930 on 146.92 repeater

LARA Summer Field Day – June 22, 1300 thru June 23, 1300

K2BSA/8 Delaware Cub Scout Day Camp – June 24 thru June 26

Battle of Gettysburg Anniversary. – June 29 thru July 10

13 Colonies Special Event – July 1 thru 7

Route 66 Special Event – Sept. 7 thru 15

LARA Western Days Special Event – Sept. 28

LARA JOTA – Oct. 19, 1000 – 1700

LARA Christmas Party – December 14th.

Presentation: Thomas Quinn, Emergency Management Director

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Seconded by: Mike Weston, KI5DLF

Motion passed by vote.

Ron Swain

Minutes are submitted:

Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Secretary

July 19, 2019