LARA Meeting Minutes, October 20, 2020

(GoTo Meeting)

President, Jay Sanford, KE5BCP, called the meeting to order at 7:03PM.

Pledge of Allegiance to U.S.A.

A quorum was established.

Officers in Attendance:

President: Jay Sanford, KE5BCP Vice President: Lee Norup, K5WXR Treasurer: Ron Ford, KF5OMH Secretary: Michelle Sanford, KI5AHI Operations Officer: Jim Lavin, K5VZ Technical Officer: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Appointees in Attendance:

VEC Officer: Steve Kline, W5JK

Members in Attendance:

Dale Finley, KB5NFT
Perry Abernathy NE5ET
Mike Asselta, KD0CDQ
Clark Highsmith, K5LGX
Scout Boutwell, KG5RGR
Scott Boutwell, KG5RJR
Jim Pier, K5IWT
Franklyn Dimino, K5FDD

Guests in Attendance:

Johnathon Allread, NE5J

none

Meeting Minutes for Last Meeting

Minutes from the previous September meeting were emailed out on 9/19/20. No corrections were called for.

Meeting Minutes were accepted as reported via email.

<u>Treasurer's Report – Ron Ford, KF5OMH</u>

LARA Treasure's Report - October 13, 2020

Checking Account

Beginning Balance	\$3,083.24
Income	
Dues	\$12.50
Donations	\$0.00
ARRL memberships	\$2.00
Total Income	\$14.50
Expenses	
PayPal Fees	\$0.00
Miscellaneous	\$0.00
Total Expenses	\$0.00
Bank Balance	\$3,070.01
Petty Cash (included in balance)	\$2.00
Paypal	\$25.73

CLUB ASSETS

For Sale \$240.00 Stock (not for sale) \$4,554.72 Total Assets \$4,794.72

LARA NET VALUE \$7,892.46

One new member.

Treasurers' report was accepted as stated/presented.

Membership: 57 members.

Reminder about Amazon Smiles, Kroger rewards and Tom Thumb club benefits

Club shirts available for sale \$25

Vice President – Lee Norup, K5WXR

Presentations:

Oct: - Dale Finley, KB5NFT, Part 2 of DMR/DStar/Fusion/Hotspots

Nov - Katherine Forson, KT5KMF North TX ARRL section Youth coordinator

Technical Report: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Received ICOM 728 radio and power supply from the estate of Carolyn Womack. It's in need of repair. He will replace a flexible circuit board and then list it as a club asset for a loaner radio.

Operations Report: Jim Lavin, K5VZ

JOTA was held virtually this past weekend.

Upcoming... ARRL contest, school round up, CW sweepstakes

Pubic Information Report: Mike Weston, KI5DLF (not present)

Nothing to report.

VEC Report: Steve Kline, W5JK

Steve will get information and guidelines on the process to determine if we can return to some form of virtual testing and possibly some virtual upgrade classes after the first of the year.

Newsletter Editor: Johnathon Allread, NE5J

The blog is up and can be accessed via the web site.

Johnathon will set up a training session for those interested in contributing to the blog, prefer evenings after 5pm. Once trained, we'll have access to submit posts.

Training scheduled for 10/23 at 7:00pm

Old Business

Stuff Box: Jim currently has the box.

Roger made a motion to limit it to two weeks at a time. Lee seconded. Two week time limit was approved. Jim agrees to pass the box on to Lee.

We'll make a list of members who are interested in the box for the rotation.

New Business

December Christmas party: Officer's decided it is still too early to do a party in person. Suggestion was made to plan on an informal virtual party. Agreed to have an informal virtual Christmas party Dec 15, 7:00pm

Announcements & Upcoming Events

LARA Information and Help Net – each Wednesday @ 1900 on the 145.17 repeater ARES Training Net – 3rd Thursday @ 1930 on 146.92 repeater

SATERN Net – each Tuesday @ 1900 on 146.92 repeater

Special Event Stations – Check QST pg. 82 and/or ARRL web site

Check the WA7BNM Contest Calendar, ARRL Web Site and QST Magazine for other fun things to do.

Next Officer Meeting Nov 10, 2020 Next Business Meeting Nov 17, 2020

Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned by Jay Sanford, KE5BCP, President at 7:49pm.

Presentation

Dale Finley, KB5NFT gave the second part of his presentation on Hotspots.

Minutes submitted: Michelle Sanford, KI5AHI, Secretary October 20, 2020