LARA Club Meeting – July 18, 2023

Meeting called to order by Jim Lavin (K5VZ) at 18:33

Pledge of allegiance

Secretary's Report - Gregg Veazey, KG5VZ

- Meeting minutes from May submitted. No corrections.
- Roger to send June minutes to Gregg
- Gregg to confirm access to GoDaddy account.

Motion to Accept – Perry Abernathy, NE5ET Second – Ron, KF5OMH

Treasurer's Report - Steve Kline, W5JK

- Steve Kline (W5JK) reviewed the current finances of the club.
- No expenses last month
- Older club shirts available for \$10 from Steve Kline (W5JK)
- Receipts from Field Day to be processed.
- Positive funds in PayPal will be moved to the Club's bank account
- Funds have not been received from DCARA for Ham Fest activities
- Dues paid next year through PayPal may include additional service charges.

Motion to Accept – Roger Carver, AE5EZ Second – Collin Buckup, N5GG

Technical Director Report - Roger Carver, AE5EZ

- Roger to insert a Field Day report into the google slide for the next association meeting
- City of Lewisville is going to replace everything except the weather radio and possibly the antenna on the Traffic Warning system.
- Antenna may be rewound now that Lewisville has received their new frequency
- Lewisville got their new license approved.
- The traffic system will need to be connected to the internet so something may need to be added to meet this objective

Operations Report – Jim Lavin, K5VZ

- Field Day
 - o 15 people
 - 4a everyone on battery
 - o Trailer had issues with noise on 10 and 15 meters. Probably something at the site
 - o Jim's filters worked well at keeping everyone's signals from bleeding over
- First SI5351 build day is Saturday, July 15th

VEC Coordinator Report – Steve Kline, W5JK

- Testing process is moving online now. Devices are required for testing.
- Jim Lavin (K5VZ) donated some new fire tables to the VEC (not the club) to be used for testing
- If anyone would like to donate a tablet of any kind, please see Steve Kline (VEC)
- Any ideas where test sessions can be held, please speak with Steve Kline

Old Business

- Discussion about ordering customized T-Shirts
- Hi Visibility T-Shirts and blue Polos, personalized and available for \$27 each.
- Discussion held by Jim (K5VZ) and presented the bylaw change to remove term limits for the President. This does not apply to any other officer positions.
- Review of the change occurred and found acceptable by the club. Jim (K5VZ) will update the By Law document

New Business

- Discussed the club getting a Post Office box. A new PO box is \$88 for 6 months, \$176 for a year. Jim will check UPS stores and other vendors for comparative purposes. More details in the future.
- Looking into depreciation process for club assets
- Discuss the possibility of a yearly participation award program
- Discuss having another radio raffle. Jim Lavin (K5VZ) and Travis McWaters (KI5PGM) will put together a plan for a raffle and outline details. They will present a plan to the club in the future.
- Net Control. Please consider leading one of the NET's. A template on running the NET was passed out at the meeting.
- Jim Lavin (K5VZ) will work on revising the club's website to refresh officer information.
- Collin Buckup (N5GG) is volunteering to put together a POTA outing plan, possibly for each month.

Meeting adjourned: 7:31