

LARA Meeting Minutes, March 16, 2019

President, Ron Ford, KF5OMH, called the meeting to order at 8:00 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: Open position
 Technical Officer: Jim Horton, WB8YWA
 VEC Officer: Steve Kline, W5JK

Members in Attendance:

- Ron Bath, KG5VIS
- Roger Carver, AE5EZ
- John Courtney Jr., KI5BBE
- Larry Wilson, WW5LS
- Marty Wells, KM5OI
- David Jackson, W5YS
- Jim Davis, KI5DME

Meeting Minutes for Last Meeting

Minutes from the [February meeting](#) were presented in email. No corrections called for.

Motions to approve February meeting minutes as presented.

Motion by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Seconded by: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Approved by members

Treasurer's Report - Clark Highsmith, K5LGX

Treasurer's Financial Report as of MARCH 14, 2019

Checking Account

Checking Beginning Balance: \$3,693.04

Income

Donations	\$00.00
Amazon Smile	13.67 (PayPal fee)
Total Income	\$13.67

Expenses

Fees	\$00.00
Miscellaneous	\$00.00
Total Expenses	\$00.00

Checking Ending Balance: \$3,706.71

Petty Cash (included in balance) \$3.00

Club Assets:

For Sale	\$0.00	
Stock (not for Sale)	\$1,869.28	
Loaner Equipment	\$375.00	
		\$2,244.28
LARA NET VALUE		\$5,950.09

Motion to approve Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Seconded by: David Jackson, W5YS

Approved by members.

Vice President / Operations Report – Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Summer Field Day: June 22, 2019. We will use our "Go Box" station set up to operate.

ARRL membership renewal: Please go through the club because we get some money back and allows our club to stay connected to AARL.

Technical Report - Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Repeater (145.170) is working well.

Club has a Heath Kit watt meter, and Brown Brothers keyer that the club does not have need of. Jim requested and received permission to sell these items at the Belton Ham Fest.

Motion was made to allow Jim Horton WB8YWA to sell these items at Belton HAM Fest

Motion by: Ron Bath, KG5VIS

Motion Seconded by: David Jackson, W5YS

Wednesday night Net has been having 13-14 check-ins.

Technician Class, General Class: Jim is going to head up a training committee to set up classes for both and is looking for volunteers to teach parts of the classes. The committee is comprised of Jim Horton, WB8YWA, Mike Reitz, W5EVT, David Jackson, and Ron Ford, KF5OMH. Roger Carver volunteered to help.

Youth Education /Nomination Elections: Ron Ford, KF5OMH

Youth Education: Perry Abernethy has not been successful at making contact with people in schools.

He is now looking to making contacts through school science fairs. It is not all clear on the approach just yet.

Nominations: We don't know all that are nominated through the HAM Online system due to its design. We do know some that have volunteered for position that have spoken up.

Pubic Information Report - Ron Ford, KF5OMH

Still looking for a person to head this position. Ron Ford KF5OMH has contacted a person about the position but that person has not gotten back to him.

Summer Field Day Publicity: Ron Ford, KF5OMH says is in progress.

VEC Report - Steve Kline, W5JK

Dates for testing is on Club meeting dates 4/20, 6/15, 8/17, 10/19, 12/21.

We have a couple of new VEs.

Old Business

City-wide Emergency Exercise March 22: Jim Horton, WB8YWA and Ron Ford KF5OMH will handle this.

Parade Floats

Western Days Parade Sept 28 @ 12:00. Setup will be about 10am. We are looking for a committee chairman.

Christmas Parade Dec 7 @ 12:00

New Business

No new business.

Next Officer Meeting April 15, 2019

Next Business Meeting April 20, 2019

.Announcements & Upcoming Events

March: **LARA** Information and Help Net – each Wednesday @ 1900 on the 145.17 repeater.

Skywarn Training – Mar 2 @ 0900-1200 (basic) & 1300-1630 (Adv) Held at TWU MCL Building.

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

Lewisville Emergency Preparedness Exercise – Mar 22

April: Belton HamExpo- Apr 5&6

Medal of Honor Escort – Apr 10, 1400to 1900

ARRL Rookie Roundup (SSB) Apr. 14, 13-1900

IARU – World Amateur Radio Day- <http://www.iaru.org/world-amateur-radio-day.html>

Texas State Parks on the Air – Apr 13, 0800-Apr14, 1200

LARA Swap meet - Apr 27, 1000-1400, Rev. Alvin Turner Sr. Park, 700 Hembry and Birch, Old Town LV

Mentorfest – Apr 27, Hella Shrine Center, 2121 Rowlett Rd. Garland.

June: HAMCOM – Jun 7&8, Plano Event Center
LARA Summer Field Day – June 22, 1300 thru June 23 1300
October: **LARA** JOTA – Oct 19, 2019

Breakfast Location: Moving to IHOP I35 & Main St.

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was made by: David Jackson, W5YS
Seconded by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Motion passed by vote.

Ron Swain

Minutes are submitted:
Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Secretary
April 19, 2019