LARA Officers Meeting Minutes 08/13/19

Meeting called to order by Ron Ford, KF5OMH, President

Quorum was established.

Officers Present: Ron Ford, KF5OMH, Roger Carver, AE5EZ, Mike Reitz, W5EVT, Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Clark Highsmith, K5LGX, Steve Kline, W5JK, Jim Horton, WB8YWA, and Mike Weston, KI5DLF

<u>Meeting Minutes</u> from previous meeting 7/13/19 were approved. Motion to accept previous meeting minutes by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA Seconded by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT Officers approved.

<u>Treasurer Report:</u> presented by Clark Highsmith, K5LGX. Expenses: Purchased stamps \$42.44. Current Balance is: \$2,701.12

Motion to accept the Treasurers' Report by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT Seconded by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA Officers approved.

Vice President Report: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

August: Todd Farrell - WE5TR will give a presentation and demonstration on digital modes with emphasis on FT4 and FT8. September: Frank James - KG5ZNJ will present a Beginners guide to C4FM using repeaters and ZumSpots. October: We will have JOTA in the Park right after the club meeting. November: Roger will move Robert Allen's presentation to November.

Technical Report: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

The new Yaesu FT-950 has been loaned out to Steve Kline, W5JK. He will use this as a time to check it out. Wednesday's Net Control will be led by Laird Lind KC5LL.

There are 8 people on the training committee: Jim Horton, WB8YWA, Mike Reitz, W5EVT, Steve Kline, W5JK, Harry Lee, K5DRZ, Judy Jackson, W5SKJ, David Jackson, W5YS, Perry Abernethy, NE5ET, Ron Ford, KF5OMH. Technician training will be in November '19. We do not have exact dates as of this time. We have 5 instructors, Jim Horton, WB8YWA, Perry Abernethy, NE5ET, Ron Ford, KF5OMH, Steve Kline, W5JK, and Mike Reitz, W5EVT We will have a General class training in the January-February '20. Then we will have an Extra class in the summer of '20 and another Technician class in the fall of '20.

Operations Report: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Western Days Special Events: September 28th, 10-3pm. Operating stations are filled with an exception of a couple of slots. Clark made up a QSL card that we will send them out digitally. We will have a certificate for those participating. Mike Reitz, W5EVT has not been contacted by the city of Lewisville on the parade application. Operating Station will use whatever net logging software they feel comfortable with and then send Ron Ford, KF5OMH an ADI file.

BSA Jamboree, JOTA: Will be Saturday October 19th, '19 at Connor Pavilion on Lake Lewisville. Mike Reitz, W5EVT is setting up Scout round tables now. Mike Weston, KI5DLF will contact Channel 11 and Lewisville newspaper for coverage. Christmas Party: It will be here at the Korner Café on December 14th, '19. Mike Reitz is getting door prizes set up.

<u>Public Information Officer</u>: Mike Weston, KI5DLF Working on JOTA press releases.

<u>VEC Report:</u> Steve Kline, W5JK Testing Dates: 8/17, 10/19. Set to test on the 8/17th.

Youth Education Report: , Perry Abernethy, NE5ET Nothing new

<u>Old Business:</u> Wednesday Night Net: No one has volunteers to run the Wednesday Net.

New Business:

Newsletter Editor: David Jackson, W5YS has volunteered to produce the club newsletter.

Webmaster: We are looking for a new webmaster.

Jim Horton asked what format are we using for the newsletter. We are using Microsoft products. If we use Microsoft, it is easiest to use the MS products.

 $September - Officers\ meeting - September\ 17th;\ Club\ meeting - September\ 21st\ .$

Adjournment: Motion to Adjourn by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT Seconded by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA Officers approved at 6:05pm

Ron Swain

Minutes submitted: Ron Swain, KG5VIV Secretary