

LARA Officers Meeting Minutes 1/14/20

Meeting called to order by Ron Ford, KF5OMH, President

Quorum was established.

Officers Present: Ron Ford, KF5OMH, Mike Reitz, W5EVT, Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Clark Highsmith, K5LGX, Jim Horton, WB8YWA, Perry Abernethy, NE5ET, and Roger Carver, AE5EZ, Dave Jackson, W5YS, Mike Weston, KI5DLF

Meeting Minutes from previous meeting 11/12/19 were approved.

Motion to accept previous meeting minutes by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Seconded by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Officers approved.

Treasurer Report: presented by Clark Highsmith, K5LGX.

Membership renewal status: We have had at least 30 members renew their memberships or become new members in the last 90 days.

Financials: We have had the first Kroger charity program to come this last month.

Income: Dues \$305.00. Donations: \$7.25. Total Income \$312.25

Expenses: Paypal Fees \$10.44, Events \$250.00, Total Expenses, \$260.44.

We have a balance of \$2722.06.

Motion to accept the Treasurers' Report by: Ron Swain, KG5VIV

Seconded by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Officers approved.

Vice President Report: and Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Repeater Announcements: Roger talked to Andrew at the DCARA Christmas party but has no date from him.

Meeting presentations update: January and February presentations are possibility going to change. Roger will have to get back to us on those. March presentation is on I-gate by Dale Finley, KB5NFT and April is propagation by Perry Abernethy, NE5ET.

Technical Report: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

General Class Training: Starting sign up in January, self-training in February and March would have slide presentations then testing. March 7 & 14th for slide presentation and the March 21 for follow up and testing. Steve Kline would like to move testing (according to an email from Steve) to April.

We are going to plan on three classes a year.

We (the club) has received an oscilloscope, a 1923 coil type radio, and 12V, 800 watt inverter. These will be in inventory until we make any decisions. A decision was made by a hand vote to keep the oscilloscope at a tool/teaching tool for the club.

Operations Report: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Christmas party wrap-up: We had a great time and gift exchange. We had 36 people attend.

Conner Pavilion Rental Status: Rentals for the 2020 have been taken care of. We have rented the Pavilion for Winter Field day, Summer Field day, and Jamboree On The Air, JOTA.

Winter Field Day: Is coming up.

Public Information Officer: Mike Weston, KI5DLF

Winter Field Day Publicity: Sent emails to all city council members and mayor. Also put out email and letters to most of the press in the Metroplex.

General Class: Mike did the same thing with the General Class. Post on Lewisville FaceBook page.

VEC Report: Ron Ford, KF5OMH

Steve's emailed report.

I, Steve have some notes I'd like to pass on regarding testing. For calendar and planning purpose:

2020-March session: can align with General class schedule, I can't do the weekend of 3/7. I'm also okay with sliding to April time frame if April lines up better for General class finishing up (presume the class will be multiple of weeks verses a weekend deal.

2020-June session: Will do session 6/20

2020-September session: Will do session 9/19

2020- December session: If we don't do a fall class in November then will do final test session of the year 12/19. If we do plan a fall license class for November then we'll pull the December test session into November as we done this past year.

Of course is goes unsaid that if someone requests a special session or there is a more frequent need/demand, then I'll assure all testing is accommodated.

Youth Education Report - Ron Ford, KF5OMH

Quinn Hirniak, KI5FLF and Ron Ford, KF5OMH have tried to get together several times. He has been on the road frequently.

Old Business:

No old business

New Business:

Presentation: Ron Ford presented to Jim Horton, WB8YWA a Certificate of Merit from ARRL Section Manger, Lott Smith for all he has achieved over the years as Technical Director.

Election of Officers: Steve Kline will coordinate the elections this year.

Adjournment:

Motion to Adjourn by: Roger Carver, AE5EZ

Secoded by: Dave Jackson, W5YS

Officers approved

Ron Swain

Minutes submitted:

Ron Swain, KG5VIV

Secretary