

LARA Officers Meeting Minutes 11/13/18

Meeting called to order by Ron Ford, KF5OMH, President on 11/13/18, 5:32 PM

Quorum was established. So, noted.

Officers Present: Ron Ford, KF5OMH, Mike Reitz, W5EVT, Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Clark Highsmith, K5LGX, Dale Chatham, WA5WNI, Jim Horton, WB8YWA, Steve Kline, W5JK.

Guest: Ron Bath, KG5VIS

Meeting minutes from previous meeting were accepted on a motion from Jim Horton, WB8YWA and second by Dale Chatham, WA5WNI.

Treasurer Report: presented by Clark Highsmith, K5LGX.

Clark will purchase the gift certificates for the drawings at the party.

We received \$31.02 from Amazon Smiles program.

We had PayPal issue but we think it is resolved.

Motion to accept Treasurer's Report as presented.

Motion by: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

Seconded by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Approved by Officers

Vice President Report: Mike Reitz, W5EVT

JOTA follow up: It was a great event. Mike returned money that was spent for the park pavilion that wasn't used due to flooding.

Santa on The Air: There is not a good place for Santa on the Air. He suggested the we move it to December Thursday 20 and Friday 21 (**changed from Dec. 21-22, 2018**). We will publish the event as an on the air event to other clubs allowing them to have their youth call into Santa On The Air, Ron Bath, KG5VIS, as Santa Claus. Maybe we can get a recording and announcing that Santa is on the air from the North Pole. We would use two people as Net Control for the two nights.

Fall Swap Meet: This coming Saturday 11/17/18 10am-1pm at Rev Alvin R. Turner Park, Lewisville.

Pavilion Reservations for 2019: Mike Reitz, W5EVT requested \$400.00 approved for reserving park pavilion for various events in 2019. Motion made by Mike Reitz, W5EVT and Seconded by Jim Horton, WB8YWA. Motion approved by officers.

Mike wants time to do JOTA follow up in the Saturday business meeting.

Operations Report: Dale Chatham, WA5WNI

ISS: is on hold due to timing on application.

Winter Field Day: Will be asking for volunteers January 26-27, 2019. Will have a trailer and HF radio. All comers are welcome

Training Classes: Technician Training Dec 8-9. Dale will send email to students introducing himself. Ron Ford, KF5OMH has sent email telling the 9 signed up about buying the book for study before the class date. All comers are welcome

Technical Report: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Go Box: Is being worked on but not real actively.

Loaner Equipment: It was brought to the attention of the Officer that we need to inventory and evaluate our loaner equipment. It was agreed on by the officers to ask for all loaner equipment to be returned for this purpose. Officers will also evaluate the sign out document that is used for loaning out equipment.

VEC Report: Steve Kline, W5JK

We have plenty of people for VEs assignments at the next testing session.

Old Business:

JOTA: Steve Kline, W5JK, we should recognize several people from DCARA that helped get us the mobile RV for JOTA. Mike Reitz, W5EVT stated if Steve would get him the names he would add them to the list to thank for their support he is already working on.

Grid Square Invitations: Ron Ford, KF5OMH wants to table this item until someone has more time to work it. (**tabled item**)

Christmas Party: Ron Swain, KG5VIV, Party is still the same nothing new. 18 people have RSVPed.

Medical City, Lewisville: Ron Ford, KF5OMH, Jim Horton, WB8YWA and Mike Reitz W5EVT, met with Mr. Leon Russell at the hospital Mike and Jim went on the roof with him and made suggestions on antennas and radios moving. A later phone call Ron Ford talk with Leon about the fact that the move would not happen until after the first of the new year due to budget.

New Business:

Mobile RV: Steve Kline, W5JK, there is an eCom (mobile unit) that has been donated for the purpose of several Associations (HAM clubs) to be used in a joint participation in its maintenance. He was saying that we should be approached in the near future about it.

PIO Position: Is still open. News Letter had a little article in it.

Saturday Evening Training NET: Dale Chatham, WA5WNI has been Net Control since Tim Monk has been out. Participation in the net has dropped off to very few. After discussion as to keeping the net up the following action was taken.

Motion was made by Dale Chatham, WA5WNI to stop the Saturday night Net was Seconded by Mike Reitz W5EVET
Officers voted to approved it.

Baofeng Radios: The radios we have are not any of the approved radios. We have 11 the radios. UV5R is the version we have. We will look at cost pricing for another model that we can purchase for the association.

Contest Group: Someone in our association called wanting to know if we have an organized contest group. No interest by officers.

Emergency Preparedness Exercise: Will be Friday, March 22, 2019, This a Lewisville Emergency Preparedness Management exercise. The Medical City, Lewisville will be asking us staff their EOC. ARES people will do the outside staffing. It is a 4 hour activity.

Officers Meeting – January 15, 2019.

Club meeting – January 19, 2019

Adjourn:

Motion to Adjourn by: Jim Horton, WB8YWA

Seconded by: Dale Chatham. WA5WNI

Officers approved.

Ron Swain

Minutes submitted:

Ron Swain, KG5VIV

Secretary,