ARC Emergency Communications Service

Regular Business Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2018

The November 2018 Business Meeting of the ARC Emergency Communications Service (ARCECS) was held on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at the American Red Cross on Long Island in Mineola, New York.

The meeting was Called to Order by President Deborah Kerr KC2GPV at 7:58pm with a quorum of eight regular voting members present. A Pledge of Allegiance and Moment of Silence followed.

For the benefit of our special guest, Sofia Jeremias, all members present introduced themselves. Sofia is a journalism student at Columbia University and is doing research on amateur radio.

Officers' Reports:

Secretary's Report

Mike Hoeft K2MPH indicated that the minutes from the September and October meetings had been distributed to all members prior to tonight's meeting. Motion to Accept the September Minutes by Larry Lutzak WA2CNV, seconded by Lenny Smith N2LDV; no discussion; motion passed after unanimous hand vote. Motion to Accept the October Minutes by Ceil Gomez W2CTG, seconded by Lenny N2LDV; no discussion; motion passed after unanimous hand vote.

Vice President's Report

Dave Krumholz WA2YYL congratulated Don Holness on his recent upgrade to Extra class.

Treasurer's Report

Ceil Gomez W2CTG read aloud the submitted Treasurer's reports for September and October (see attachment); Motion to Accept September Treasurer's Report by Larry WA2CNV, seconded by Gail Bloom AB2JG; no discussion; motion passed after unanimous hand vote. Motion to Accept October Treasurer's Report by Larry WA2CNV, seconded by Lenny N2LDV; no discussion; motion passed after unanimous hand vote.

Red Cross

Phil Nelson N2PN reported that the Red Cross Mobile Communications Center was utilized at the recent NYC Marathon; Joe Berrios was one of the ARC volunteers present; he is still working on the installation of the new satellite dish on the MCC; no new Regional Logistics Manager has been identified yet; gate code to the Brooklyn Navy Yard has been changed.

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John Wilson KD2AKX was not present; Ceil W2CTG reported that the ACS Walk at Jones Beach was well attended and was free of major incidents. That concluded the event calendar for 2018.

Repeater

Dave WA2YYL reported that WB2QBP remains on the air and sounds great, and that the WB2ZTH repeater in Manhattan is still off the air pending room repairs; Dave is going to inquire of Greg Hubert on the timeline for getting back on the air.

Public Information Officer

Lenny N2LDV reported that the received Membership applications from Don Holness and John Wilhelm – these are both prior returning members and do not require vote-in. Welcome Back Don and John!

Health and Welfare

No report

Events

Deborah KC2GPV reported the NYCRuns Brooklyn Half- and -Marathon was held October 21 with 10 operators; NYC Marathon was held November 4 with 256 operators and 52,697 finishers

Old Business

Post-Holiday Dinner – Larry WA2CNV will reach out to Anthony's Restaurant to make a reservation for January 23, 2019 from 7pm-9:30pm. SAVE THE DATE!

Officer Elections

Ceil W2CTG stated she is not seeking re-election to Treasurer; Larry WA2CNV will handle the Election Committee responsibilities and present the proposed slate at the December meeting for nominations and subsequent elections.

New Business -

No New Business

Motion to Adjourn by Mike K2MPH at 8:32pm.

A Q&A period with Sofia Jeremias followed the conclusion of the Business meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Hoeft K2MPH

Secretary, ARCECS