

## ARC Emergency Communications Service

### Business Meeting Minutes

December 4, 2018

The regular Monthly Business Meeting of the ARC Emergency Communications Service (ARCECS) was held on Tuesday, December 4, 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 7:52pm. The Pledge of Allegiance and a Moment of Silence followed.

#### Reports:

##### Secretary:

Mike Hoeft K2MPH reported that the Minutes from the November meeting were distributed to all members via email prior to tonight's meeting. Motion to Accept by Lenny Smith N2LDV, seconded by Keith Collins-Allen K2WCA; no further discussion; Motion passed on hand vote - Ron Moskowitz KD2LUI abstained.

##### Vice President:

Dave Krumholz WA2YYL had no report.

##### Treasurer:

Ceil Gomez W2CTG submitted and read aloud the monthly treasurer's report – Current balances are checking \$ 468.66; savings/repeater fund \$ 3,470.68. The only monies paid out during the month was the cash withdrawal for the HRU Ad Journal. Motion to Accept by Rob Yenis KC2ILP, seconded by John Wilson KD2AKX; motion passed after unanimous hand vote.

##### Red Cross:

Phil Nelson N2PN was not present.

##### ARES & Emergency Coordinator:

John KD2AKX reported that the TS930 he previously purchased from the club is up and working and he is looking for a spot for it in the trailer. Nassau ARES SET drill December 9 10:00-12:00pm on 443.525 repeater (NUMC) – all members welcome to join the drill. Next ARES meeting on December 13 which will also be a holiday party.

##### Repeater:

Dave WA2YYL reported that the WB2ZTH repeater is still down with no estimate on when it will be active – repairs to the building are ongoing. He also spoke to Stu Siet WA2JNF about retuning a receiver as a control link for the WB2QBP repeater – will follow up and report as needed.

#### Public Information Officer:

Lenny N2LDV reported that he and Larry WA2CNV both had a follow-up interview with Sophia Jeremias from Columbia University. They were very well received and it promises to be an interesting work – stay tuned.

#### Health and Welfare:

No Health and Welfare report or information.

#### Events:

A full listing of the 2019 events will be circulated and posted on the website.

HRU – Ham Radio University will be Saturday, January 5 at CW Post – 20<sup>th</sup> Year for this event – new ARRL CEO Howard Michel WB2ITX is the keynote speaker and new Hudson Division Director Ria Jairam N2RJ will be a guest speaker. There's also plenty of forums and classes on various tech and operating topics. More info at [www.hamradiouniversity.org](http://www.hamradiouniversity.org)

#### Election of Officers:

Mike K2MPH reported that the Slate of Officers prepared by Larry WA2CNV was distributed to all members along with an Absentee Ballot and Proxy Designation form. The Slate as presented was President: Deborah Kerr KC2GPV; Vice President David Krumholz WA2YYL; Treasurer Cecelia Gomez W2CTG; Secretary Michael Hoeft K2MPH; Directors Leonard Smith N2LDV and Gail Bloom AB2JG.

Motion to open nominations was made by Keith K2WCA, seconded by Dave WA2YYL; no nominations were made from the floor. Motion to close nominations by Keith K2WCA, seconded by Lenny N2LDV. In the absence of any further nominations the proposed slate was running unopposed – Secretary Mike K2MPH cast one vote for each candidate on the slate. Congratulations to all of our 2018 Officers returning to their positions in 2019!

#### Old Business:

##### ARCECS Annual Post-Holiday Dinner:

Wednesday, January 23, 2019 starting at 7:00pm until 9:30pm Anthony's Restaurant in Queens, same location as last several years – Larry WA2CNV is coordinating with the restaurant. More info to follow.

#### ID Badges:

2019-2020 ARCECS Identification Badges were created by John KD2AKX - if you did not receive one at the December meeting please contact him at [kd2akx@aol.com](mailto:kd2akx@aol.com)

## New Business

### Web Site:

The domain name registration will be due for renewal in January of 2019. Mike K2MPH will be working with Larry WA2CNV on revamping the website – will recommend renewing the domain at the January 2019 meeting.

### Dues:

There was a discussion regarding potentially raising dues – current dues are \$ 30pp; when age 65 & over the dues are reduced to \$ 15pp - discussed members that have joined and left the club. To be tabled to the January meeting.

### Ham Radio Technician Licensing Class:

Mike K2MPH was approached by Vito Reciniello, the Disaster Preparedness Manager (DPM) for the Long Island Chapter of the Red Cross – Vito stated he has about 15 volunteers interested in becoming licensed. Through discussion with Ceil W2CTG, Joe Gomez W2BMP offered his web-based video licensing class series. Mike will coordinate further with Vito. There is an opportunity for our VE's to be involved in mentoring and conducting a licensing exam – more to follow.

Motion To Adjourn by Lenny N2LDV, seconded by Rob KC2ILP; meeting adjourned at 8:56pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mike Hoeft K2MPH, Secretary