

ORO VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB, INC.  
an Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting  
August 3, 2013

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc., was held on August 3, 2013 at 8:30 A.M. at the Oro Valley Police Department Emergency Operations Center, 1920 E Tangerine Road, Oro Valley, Arizona.

In attendance at said meeting were the following Board Officers and Directors:

Bob Molczan, KA7VPR -- President  
Gary Pierce, AE7GP -- Vice President  
David Beauchesne, AK2L -- Treasurer  
Howard Chorost, KC7AC -- Secretary  
Dave Coccio, N7AKC  
Gary Schmitz, KT7AZ  
David Branson, KC0LL  
Tim Brown, KF7SYU  
Bob Stephens, AF9W -- Not Present

The Meeting was called to Order by President Bob Molczan, KA7VPR.

The First Order of Business was approval of the following Minutes:

July 6, 2013 Board of Directors Meeting

July 19, 2013 Members Meeting

July 19, 2013 Special Directors Meeting

Upon Motion duly made, seconded, and carried, the Reading of said Minutes were waived and the Minutes were approved, without objection. The Minutes were signed and the President directed that the Minutes be posted to the Club Website. The Club Secretary will transmit the approved minutes to Webmaster Bob Stephens, AF9W.

### **Art Blank – DXpedition sponsorship?**

W1SR, Steve Wood, offered to absorb the set up fee for the Club logo for clothing. Art mentioned he received \$300.00 from another club. Art will be the only American on the DXpedition. There will probably be photo opportunities for display of the club logo on clothing. There is also an opportunity to set up club swag for sale and for the raffle drawings. Bob proposed setting a cap of \$75.00 for the donation. KF7SYU proposed a limit of \$130.00. A compromise was set to cap the donation at \$100.00. Following a Motion by KA7VPR to cap the donation at \$100.00, the Motion was seconded and carried, without objection. KT7AZ will utilize his contact who does the police uniforms.

### **Plaque Sponsorship for 2013 Arizona QSO Party**

Gary Keck runs this program through Catalina ARC. \$45.00 for the cost. OVARC name will be on the plaque. Motion to Approve-- Seconded and carried without objection.

KT7AZ indicated that for the future, we need to come up with a policy on how many plaques or events the Club will sponsor in a given calendar year. This matter will be taken up at a later date.

### **CW Class?**

W8TK is happy to hold a class. We need to set up a time for use of the EOC. KA7VPR to coordinate with Tom. Motion to Approve-- Seconded and carried without objection.

### **Upcoming Contests – AK2L**

David, AK2L, passed out a calendar regarding upcoming contests. Tom, W8TK, offered to facilitate operations at his house. KT7AZ suggested that the Club provide food and water/soda. AK2L suggested having one of the smaller contests at the EOC, perhaps the Arizona QSO Party the weekend of October 12 and 13. The suggestion is for holding the operation at the EOC for 8 hours and not running the entire contest. AK2L will put out a survey monkey to the Membership to get an idea how many will participate.

### **Zippy's Leather items for Hamfest**

N7ZQL sent Bob information concerning some products he makes that could be possibly be sold for fundraisers. Bob had asked Lee for a price list and for a list of specific items offered by Zippy's. These items were not included in the materials.

KA7VPR moved to table the matter. Seconded, approved, and carried without objection.

### **Laurel Testing instead of ARRL VE – Tim, KF7SYU**

Laurel offers free testing. RST uses the Laurel system. Dianne Zimmerman, VP of RST, would be happy to set up OVARC for Laurel. RST typically has 8 or 10 people show up for testing each month.

KA7VPR proposed that we have Dianne Zimmerman come to a meeting and pitch the Laurel VEC.

KC7AC proposed to give the ARRL Section Manager the opportunity to state the ARRLs position in this matter before we make a decision to switch.

The largest issue we seem to be having is that Laurel has an on-line method of getting licenses immediately and ARRL takes several days.

Motion to invite both Laurel and ARRL in to present their cases. Seconded, approved, and carried without objection.

### **Holiday Pot Luck at Ascension Church – Date Change to Saturday December 14, 2013**

Originally scheduled for December 13. We will attempt to change it to December 14.

### **2013 Hamfest – Final Attempt**

There appeared to be difficulty with the Ascension site regarding parking and access.

Golden Corral is another possibility at 6865 N Thornydale Rd, Marana. KA7VPR did some preliminary research and contacts. They seem receptive to having us. ARCA could have their meeting inside. There are a multitude of logistical issues that would need to be worked out. Bob is waiting to hear from the property manager. We would need to use the back lot for parking or it won't work out.

We set a preliminary date of November 9 for the Hamfest if we can do it at all.

Motion to table matter until next year if we can't work things out with the Golden Corral. Seconded, approved, and carried without objection.

**Miscellaneous Items – Keystone Status, Golder Ranch Status.**

The Golder Ranch repeater being worked on.  
Keystone is off the air for unexplained reasons.

KCOLL will be going to Keystone to check it out.

There being no further business for the Board, upon by Motion duly made, seconded, and carried-- and without objections, the Meeting was adjourned at 10:10 A.M.

Approved:

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Bob Molczan, KA7VPR  
President

Attest:

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Howard A. Chorost, KC7AC  
Secretary