

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

Minutes of Members Meeting
August 16, 2013

A Regular meeting of the Membership of the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc., was held on February 15, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. at the Resurrection Lutheran Church, 11575 N 1st Ave., Oro Valley, Arizona.

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

Bob Molczan, KA7VPR -- President
David Beauchesne, AK2L -- Treasurer
Howard Chorost, KC7AC -- Secretary
Gary Schmitz, KT7AZ

Not Present:

Gary Pierce, AE7GP -- Vice President
Dave Coccio, N7AKC
David Branson, KC0LL
Tim Brown, KF7SYU
Bob Stephens, AF9W

A total of 43 Members present per the Roster; 5 Visitors or persons who did not sign the Roster; with a total of 48 persons present.

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

New Members and Guests were introduced.

The Board and Officers were introduced.

AK2L talked about prizes and the raffle drawing.

KA7VPR talked about a potential new monthly meeting location at McGee & La Canada. The facility would be larger and has a sound system built in. We will ask for a show of hands later in the evening to gage the Club's interest in moving the meeting location.

KA7VPR also talked about possibly changing the Club Call sign from W0HF to a area "7" call sign. We will ask for a show of hands later in the evening to gage the Club's interest in changing the call sign.

KA7VPR Introduced Lyle Johnson, KK7P.

Presentation – What's Going On at Elecraft?

Break.

Business section of Meeting:

Motion to Wave reading of last month's minutes. W7AI Moved -- Seconded by W7HD-- and approved without objection.

Officers reports :

AK2L Treasurer -- \$2,650.00 in the bank.

KC7AC Secretary -- Raffle tickets for sale; Minutes on Web Site courtesy of Bob, AF9W.

Repeater System Status Report – KA7VPR & KT7AZ

146.620 is back on the air courtesy of David, KC0LL.
It was off the air for a week and a half due to a near lightning strike.

We are working to standardize the controllers. Gary, KT7AZ is working on that.

440.400 has been off the air for several weeks. The repeater has been repaired by David, KC0LL. The repeater will be back on the air soon. It may work stand alone, without the Internet link, for a while.

Additional Board Member Reports and Comments -- none.

Old Business

Move to Yahoo Groups – AK2L

Board Decision to Sponsor Contest Plaques & DXPedition – AK2L
Arizona QSO Party weekend of October 12. Arizona Mobile Single Operator Plaque was sponsored by the Club last year and will be sponsored this year.

Art Blank, WA7NB, will be sponsored by the Club for his DXPedition. We are looking at a nominal donation and perhaps a shirt with the Club name and/or Logo.

New Business

OVARC Hamfest 2013 Announcement-- Scott, KG7ADX found us a venue at the Marana Middle School. The Hamfest will be held on Saturday, November 9. 7:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. 11279 W Grier Rd, Marana. We will be holding several Hamfest Planning Meetings. Call for Volunteers.

OVARC Holiday Pot Luck Party Announcement-- Facilities courtesy of Doug, W7AAA-- December 15 - 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. Ascension Lutheran Church -- 1220 W. Magee Road. We will need a set-up crew.

CW Program – In the works. Tom, W8TK will be in charge of that.

Survey Results -- Future Contest Sponsorship & Calendar – AK2L --
We have enough interest for three out of the five contests. The Board will be meeting with Tom, W8TK, and further announcements will be made regarding the contest schedules.

Sunday NET – New Ideas Needed to Improve or Replace the TechNet. We haven't had a lot of participation regarding the TechNet. So we need some more participation here or the TechNet portion of the Net may be discontinued or changed to something else.

Open Floor to Membership for Additional Comments or Suggestions:

W7HD asked about the potential new meeting location.

W7AI commented about the September 6-8 Hamfest in California.

KH6ITY wants to help out for the Hamfest. Announcements will be on the net and by e-mail.

KA7VPR then asked for a show of hands to indicate interest in exploration of the following topics:

Move the Meeting Location -- the majority present indicated an interest in moving the meeting venue.

Club Call sign change -- almost unanimous show of hands in favor of a change.

Both of these issues will be taken up at a later date and the logistics of each will need to be investigated by the Board.

Finally, we had the Raffle Prize Drawing.

There being no further business for the Membership, upon by Motion duly made by KA7VPR and seconded by KC7AC, and carried-- and without objections, the Meeting was adjourned.

Approved:

Bob Molczan, KA7VPR
President

Attest:

Howard A. Chorost, KC7AC
Secretary