

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

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
September 6, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc., was held on September 6, 2014 at 9:00 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
Ron Herring, W7HD -- Vice President
David Beauchesne, AK2L -- Treasurer
Howard Chorost, KC7AC -- Secretary
Dave Coccio, N7AKC
Gary Schmitz, KT7AZ
David Branson, KC0LL
Tim Brown, KF7SYU
Scott Boone, K7ADX

The following Members were present:

Gary Pierce, AE7GP — OVARC ARCA Representative
Steve Wood, W1SR — Programs Manager
Lanny Voight, KF7LV — Net Manager
Jim Garrity, W7JRG — Licensing Manager
Quinton Gleason, NU7Y
Walt Brophy, AL7KE
Mary Branson, N0TOY
Carl Foster, KB7AZ
Alan Bomberger, AE7TU

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

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

8/2/14 Directors Meeting; 8/15/14 Members 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.

- New repeater for Keystone?

There has been an offer by a Club Member to pay 50% of the purchase price for the purchase of a new repeater at the Keystone site on 146.620 MHz. KC0LL discussed issues concerning potential conversion. KC0LL indicated there are no current issues with the present repeater at Keystone. The consensus was there is no need to consider replacing a repeater that is working correctly. Matter tabled.

- Repeater projects

KT7AZ reports that Golder Ranch is back on-line on 440.400. There is some interference present from DM.

There was an internet issue at the Main Station where 444.100 lost the link. This has been resolved.

KC0LL reported that at Keystone, all systems are now being run off the Astron power supply. 146.620 is running on DC now. We can now put 12V backup in. AK2L will be ordering parts. We previously approved the expense of approximately \$200.00 for this project.

- Magee Station – Frequency Change set deadline and confirm timeline.

We are approved for 146.76 and ARCA expects us to move away from 145.19 within 60 days. KT7AZ reported that Scottsdale Airpark was reported heard on 146.76 by Saul, N7CRS. KA7VPR requested that we monitor 146.76 and report any issues prior to the move.

- W0HF D-Star repeater
Move forward with ircDDB.
Possible D-Star Net.
OVARC set to Reflector 9A by default for the present time.
Automatic Reflector Change to 9C for Arizona Net on Saturday at 1900 and 12A Net Thursday evening at 2000.

- AZ QSO Party — October 11 and 12 — Will be held at W8TK's QTH and the Club will provide refreshments. Expense of \$50.00 moved and approved without objections.

- New Repeater on 146.62 at Green's Peak – Comments. KC0LL indicated that if we run tone squelch we shouldn't hear them at all and we shouldn't have any issues with anyone coming through on the input because of the distance and because the PL is different than ours.

- Multi-month Raffles – AK2L

As of late, our Raffle sales haven't provided sufficient income to cover expenses. The idea is to have, in addition to regular raffle sales, a larger prize that would go up for drawing once we reach sufficient sales which may roll over several months. Moved and approved without objections.

- Request for Fund Raising by outside entity at next monthly meeting.
Motion to reject consideration moved and approved without objections.

- ARRL Southwest Convention hosting. Following discussion, the Board decided to decline the hosting. Moved and approved without objections.

- Hamfest 2014 – Overnight Parking confirmed. Vendor status – AK2L, W1SR N7AKC working on getting a food truck.

Possible Seminars: NBEMS, DSTAR, QRP.

Possible Demo table.

Budget for Raffle Prizes. Jim (W7JRG) will donate \$200.00 towards prizes. Gary, AE7GP will donate a Toshiba tablet. Randy, KF0X, is donating five Baofeng HTs.

Motion for maximum \$350.00 expenditure from Club funds for purchase of prizes.

Moved and approved without objections.

KC0LL recommended a DStar radio as a prize.

KA7VPR will put out a call for volunteers.

W1SR reported that a number of vendors will send donations for the raffle prize. Three vendors confirmed to come out so far.

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

An ARRL Sanctioned VE Session immediately followed the Meeting.

Approved:

Bob Molczan, KA7VPR
President

Attest:

Howard A. Chorost, KC7AC
Secretary