

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

Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting
September 5, 2015

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club, Inc., was held on September 5, 2015 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
Scott Boone, K7ADX -- Treasurer
Howard Chorost, KC7AC -- Secretary
Dave Coccio, N7AKC
Carl Foster, KB7AZ
Steve Wood, W1SR -- Program Manager

Members present:

Lanny, KF7LV —Licensing Manager; Net Manager
Fred, W2HZ
Dave, AF0H (formerly K0DMH)
David, AD6KI
Ross, K4WBR
Brian, W4ES
Roger, K7ROG
Julian, KG7SIL
Ken, K7EAZ (formerly K9EAZ)
David, AK2L
Phoebe, KF7SDZ
Jim, W5ZIT
Quinton, NU7Y

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

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

August 1, 2015 Directors Meeting;
August 21, 2015 Members Meeting.

Upon Motion duly made by N7AKC, and seconded by K7ADX, 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.

- Call sign change to W7AI. We are moving forward with the official call sign change. FCC approval is anticipated in the near future.
- Silent Auction of Ron Walther's equipment — The Sale of Ron's equipment at the general membership Meeting yielded approximately \$3,700.00 in proceeds for the benefit of Amalia Walther, W7AMW. The Club was grateful to Amalia for donating \$600.00 following the auction. The donation was not expected but was welcomed.
- Procedure for liquidation of deceased members equipment. Bob indicated there had been some concern regarding the lack of a set procedure for dealing with the sale of a deceased members equipment. We will explore a procedure and put a set of rules in place. Bob asked for a draft of a plan for the next Board Meeting from those who voiced concerns.
- Success of the Keystone and Heliograph Field Trips. The Keystone and Heliograph trips were discussed.
- Discussion for future social events. Comments welcome.
- 440.400 repeater. AK2L has been instrumental in obtaining a site in Marana for the UHF Repeater. The repeater will be at the Marana Municipal Complex and will be linked into the OVARC system. We will need hire someone to put an antenna up on the tower. Motion from W7HD, seconded by N7AKC to present expenditure to the Membership at the next general club meeting. Said Motion was approved, without objection. We will also need to re-coordinate the 440.400 frequency because its a "backyard pair."
- Bill, AB7AA, was the winner of the Special Raffle for the Icom IC-718. The radio is going into public service.
- Next Special Raffle item is the Alinco DX-SR8T.
- Jim, W5ZIT — Jim talked about the possibility of replacing analog internet link with an RF link. The suggestion was for an "in band link system." Jim presented a plan to the Board for consideration. The approximate cost would be under \$300.00. The proposal was well received and favorable comments were made by the Board Members. W7HD moved that a proposal be transmitted to David, KC0LL - seconded by K7ADX and carried without objection— We will explore this with David, KC0LL, and he will need to be involved in any decision to make changes.

- Band Pass filters for Field Day. We are still pursuing purchase.
- Hamfest Planning. The Hamfest will be on November 7. A sign up sheet is going around the room for participants. Bob will ask AF9W to set up an on-line sign up.
 - We will need to have someone take care of the cones. That was traditionally handled by W7AI. We can probably be ok with 50 cones this year. Bob will talk with David, KC0LL, and see if we can use his truck and trailer.
 - Tables and chairs were rented last year. We had six tables plus others that Members brought out. Bob will talk with Steve, N7AZT. Dave, N7AKC, will coordinate with Parties Plus. We will need cardboard cans and liners. We will go with the same line-up as last year.
 - Dave, N7AKC, has a verbal with *House of Brats* to participate again. Dave will contact *McShavies*. Two trucks worked out well last year. The Board doesn't have an issue with donations by the food trucks to the School.
 - Coffee pots for set up. KC7AC and K7ROG will bring coffee pots for the set up.
 - Presentations and Seminars. We had two rooms last year and six seminars. We will try to get the approximate line-up in seminars we had last year, and also a VE Session.
 - PA System. Roger, K7ROG. We need generators or power from the School. AK2L thinks we can get power from the School and will go to the site and find out.
 - Admission \$5.00 per person. K-12 Free with Student ID. \$10.00 for vendors.
 - Raffle prizes. Last year budget was capped at \$500.00. Motion by KB7AZ, second by K7ADX, and carried, we will keep the same budget for the Raffle as last year. Steve, W1SR, will present new ideas for raffle prizes. Bob asked that the Board Members submit suggestions for prizes.
 - Steve, W1SR, has committed several vendors who are expected to attend and donate prizes.
- We will have another Hamfest Planning Meeting on September 19 at 9:00 at the EOC.
- Needless to say, we will not have a Board Meeting on November 7 since that's the day of the Hamfest.

- Abbreviated update on D-Star presented by KC7AC. KG7PJV operating on the old pi and software while KT7AZ makes backup copies of the pi2 software. KG7RWN is off air pending new software and possibly new pi. K7ADX indicated he will look into monlink to try to figure out why 444.800 needs to be re-linked to 2B after approximately 48 hours. K7ADX will get with AF9W upon Bob's return to discuss and implement conversion of 444.800 repeater to IRCDDDB software.

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 VE Session immediately followed the Board Meeting at 10:30 A.M.

Approved:

Bob Molczan, KA7VPR
President

Attest:

Howard A. Chorost, KC7AC
Secretary