

# Oro Valley Amateur Radio Club

## Board Meeting Minutes (Pending Approval)

July 2, 2016

### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by Steve, W1SR.

#### Board Members Present

- Steve, W1SR, President
- Bob, KA7VPR, Vice-resident
- Hanna, KG7TPD, Treasurer
- Carl, KB7AZ, Secretary
- Lanny, KF7LV, Board Member
- Fred, W2HZ, Board Member
- Ross, K4WBR, Board Member
- Scott, K7ADX, Board Member
- Bob, AF9W, Board Member

#### Other Members Present

- Jim, W5ZIT, Club Member
- Howard, KC7AC, Club Member
- Gary, AE7GP, ARCA liaison
- Gary, KT7AZ, Repeater committee
- David, N7AKC
- David, AK2L

### Public Service Calendar

There is a public service website that contains all of the available public service events that need amateur radio support. It is being put together by KY7K.

### Field Day Summary

The propagation was poor on Field Day, but the club made quite a few contacts. There was a shortage of people who have access to the EOC. At least one board member should be present at all times when the club is using the EOC. If a problem arises, then call Gary, KT7AZ. Gary will assist Steve, W1SR, to the access list. George, NG7A, suggested using separate antennas for same-band operation. The HF filters that we use for Field Day are still owned by KF0X. Gary, KT7AZ, will contact Randy and offer to purchase the filters from him. We also need to establish which stations use K7T and W7AI. Fred, W2HZ, suggested that the club give Tom, W7TK, an award in recognition for the countless hours he spent planning and participating in Field Day activities.

### AA7MY Situation

Two board members, Steve and Lanny, met Ed, AA7MY, at his home. Lanny has a list of items that the club could sell at the next Hamfest, but there are also bins of small items that need to be itemized. Ed needs help stringing antennas. Lanny suggested making a survey of Ed's property, followed by an antenna party.

## Scholarship Fund in Memory of Milt Jensen

This is a courtesy announcement from Gail at RST. The board took no action.

## Membership Survey

The membership survey is in process. Fred, W2HZ, requested direction from the board. After discussion, Fred agreed to present a final draft of the questionnaire at the next board meeting. The number of questions should be between 10 and 15. The survey should be done through an on-line survey service like Googleforms or Survey Monkey to assure anonymity of the responders.

## Groupspace Member Updates

Lanny will provide the updates from the classes to Hanna.

## ARCA Report

Gary, AE7GP, reported that the Williams Hamfest will be July 22 and 23 as planned. He posed the possibility of Tucson hosting the Arizona State Convention in a future year. It was in Kingman last year at their fairgrounds. They spent \$6000 and charged \$7 per person to attend and made a small profit. The Williams Hamfest will host the state convention in 2017. Gary will get a template that outlines the process and distribute it to the board.

## Repeater Status

Keystone has an autoconnect issue. If anyone hears a "connect" message, call Gary right away. Gary also suggested that we direct whoever goes to the Keystone site next to remove the preamp. It is probably not needed. The installation at Marana needs an antenna connection and a static IP address. The installation may also need about 80 feet of hard line and a one-day man-lift rental (~\$600) to complete the installation.

## Treasurer's Report

Deposits	\$ 2527
Expenses	\$ 3793
Checking Balance	\$ 3867
Savings Balance	\$ 153
PayPal Balance	\$ 665
Total	\$ 4685

## Next Big Raffle Prize

The next Big Raffle prize will be an Icom IC-718 and we will need to sell 175 tickets for this raffle. The motion to purchase the IC-718 was made by Carl, KB7AZ, and seconded by Scott, K7ADX. The motion carried.

## **LINUX SIG**

The LINUX SIG has attracted several from OVARC, and we will advertise and invite people from other Tucson area clubs to join the SIG.

## **Newsletter**

Ron, W7HD, can use all of the input he can get to put into the newsletter.

## **Social Night Summary**

The pizza social night was a success. The two suggested improvements were to eliminate the background video and get more pizzas.

## **Hamfest Donations**

Some donations were collected at the June meeting. We have some radios and antennas. Scott will contact Greg, KC5ZGG, to get his tube collection.

## **Hamfest Planning**

The date is set with the school. Carl, KB7AZ, will solicit people to do seminars. We also need to make new sandwich board signs.

## **Adjournment**

The next board meeting will be on August 6. The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 AM

Submitted by Carl Foster, KB7AZ, Club Secretary