

**HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2019**

Attendees:

President – W1AST (Larry)	ZeroBeat Ed. -N1JIE (John)
Secretary – N1FTP (Harold)	Treasurer – NV1Q (Juergen)
Membership – K1VOI (John)	Program Dir – AB1ZA (Najm)
Tech. Dir. - K1YO (Bob)	

Absent:

At Large – AB1ZJ (Ron), Vice President – WM1B (Dave)

Guest:

Trustee, Todd (N1GNX)

----- Meeting open at 7:00pm by President, Larry (W1AST) -----

President Report:

- Larry shipped mugs to Ray and Gil with a note of thanks. Will also ship to K3LR with thanks.
- Share the knowledge session, working on a date, asking for sign ups and deposit or payment in full. Harold will manage monies.
- For now, Larry will chair Field Day.
- Reached out to the Springfield Museum about a special event station and has not heard back yet.

Vice President Report:

- Dave mentioned that 5 of the 6 classes are done and that next Tuesday they will be taking exams. Only 1 individual dropped out.

Secretary Report:

- Last months BOD minutes for approval: **Motion Y Accepted: 7 Opposed: 0 Carried: YES**
- Harold will man the HCRA table at the MTARA Hamfest. Jackie and Juergen and others have volunteered to help out.
- The HCRA Yearly Board To Do List is continuing to be updated.

Treasurer Report: January Statement:

Beginning Balance: "\$8,587.96"

Ending Balance: "\$8,615.25"

Income:

Dues	\$30.00
Raffle Sales	\$180.00
Donuts	\$38.00
Total	\$248.00

Expense:

Books	\$145.71
Facebook	\$25.00
Donuts	\$50.00
Total	\$220.71

Program Director Report:

- March, John Ellsworth from the Vintage communications museum
- April, Show and Tell
- May, SOTA and POTA. POTA by KC1AEO and SOTA is awaiting confirmation.
- June Field Day and Elections
- September, Bob Hassett of the Springfield Emergency Preparedness and EOC
- October, Rich Collins, K2UPS will talk about CW and the LI CW Club. He will also showcase his key collection.
- November The amazing transatlantic feat of 1901 by Marconi. K1ZM, Jeff via Skype as he is in PEI. Harold to make Skype arrangements.
- December, Holiday Party

Membership Report:

- 104 members in total. 4 life, 15 prospects, and 7 family. 78 paid members.

Technical Director Report:

Nothing to report.

ZeroBeat Editor:

- Note to all, please submit articles for ZeroBeat by the 20th of the month. Najm will be submitting basic articles for ZeroBeat as well as Bob's submissions of the Fox Hunting projects. This month is full of great articles including ISS SSTV, Easthampton's Winterfest, and more.

At Large Report:

- Absent

Webmaster Report:

- Want to add a page about what is ham radio, how to get a ham license.
- Want to add a page connected to the new ham page; how to get a FRN#, what to bring to exam. Maybe links to question pools?, Online study guides?
- Add what to do once you get a license. Mention taking a local test will get you a starter booklet for new hams.

New Business:

- A check has been sent to reserve a table at the MTARA Ham Fest.
- Show & Tell, Juergen to arrange Judges and Judging.
- Field Day 2019 – June 21-23, Larry will chair unless someone else steps up. Maybe find someone to learn/co-chair.
- NEQP is May 4 & 5, not too early to start talking about it and possibly getting new hams on the air.

Old Business:

- Dave Cain (AA1YW) said he will take care of the trailer registration and title.
- Brown-baggers was a success with 7 attendees. Hopefully this will continue on a biweekly basis.
- Rob Bolling (KC1KPF) has volunteered to take over the monthly Swap & Sell table.

Next Club meeting: March 1, 2019 at Holyoke Hospital at 7:30 pm

Next Board of Directors meeting: March 20, 2019 at Hooter's in West Springfield. 6:00 pm for dinner, 7:00 pm for the meeting.

----- Meeting closed at 8:15 pm -----