

HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

August 25, 2020

Meeting Began 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Attendees:

President – W1AST Larry Vice President – AA1WH Marcel
Program Dir. – AA1UE Gary Tech. Dir. – AB1ZA Najm
Secretary – NF1G Paul Treasurer – KC1FQV Duane
Membership – K1VOI John

Unable to Attend:

ZeroBeat Ed. – N1JIE John At Large – WA1OJN Bob

President's Report:

- WMA FoxHunters Group now has 40 members
- After discussion Board decided to postpone raffle for this year. Almost all tickets have been sold in the past at club meetings or at the MTARA Hamfest. Since we are not have physical meetings and the Hamfest is "up in the air" until COVID is under control it is unlikely sufficient tickets could be sold.

Vice President's Report:

- 10 meter net has attracted a few check-ins but expect more now that Summer is drawing to a close.

Secretary's Report:

- Paul will obtain ARRL insurance on club's equipment once inventory is completed
- Paul has requested copy of club's Original Tax Determination letter from IRS has been received. Larry and Paul both have copies.
- Paul has filed for a state Sales Tax Exemption certificate for future purchases. Awaiting Department of Revenue's response.

Treasurer's Report:

(The following report combines June and July's activity)

Beginning Balance, June 1, 2020: \$7,658.77

Ending Balance, July 31, 2020: \$7,086.01

Income:

Dues \$35.00
Fox Hunting Kit Donation 25.00
 \$60.00

Expenses:

Zoom fees, Raffle tickets \$179.70
Fox box parts 43.36
ARRL Outgoing QSL Buro 15.50
Website fees 394.20 (3 year renewal)
 \$632.76

Program Director's Report:

- Sept: Show & Tell on Zoom
- Oct: Intro to Contesting (W1PY)
- Nov: SDR & Flex Radio (NT1K)
- Dec: Under discussion as Holiday Gathering unlikely
- Jan: Award Chasing (N1FTP)
- Feb: Fox Hunting Techniques & Gear
- Mar: ClubLog: What is it and What Can You Do With IT?
- April: OPEN
- May: OPEN
- June: Elections and Field Day

Membership Report:

Total Members: 138

Regular Members: 102

Prospects: 22 (16 will expire in Sept)

Life: 4

Family: 10

Paid through 8/31/2021: 20

- After the meeting John distributed a list of the prospects for followup
- New & Renewals may now use PayPal
- Webpage Member List updated regularly
- ARRL Contest members updated twice per year
- Renewals begin 09/01/2020; either via Paypal or regular mail

At Large:

No report

Technical:

- Najm to obtain CW Reader kits from Juergen
- Would like to do an Arduino based project in the Spring

ZeroBeat:

No report – Larry to do a brief ZeroBeat for September

WebSite:

- Vanessa continues to do an excellent job
- Need to find someone with Wordpress knowledge to assist her

New Business:

- Need Judges for Show & Tell – Najm to coordinate
- Discussion about a Spring Tech class – likely to be spread over a few weeks rather than a condensed one weekend to allow participants adequate preparation time.
- Discussed preparation of a questionnaire to solicit members' input for future meeting speakers/topics
- Almost 2 ½ lbs of QSL cards sent to the Outgoing Bureau this month

Old Business:

- 10 meter Net – need alternate/ guest net controls
- 2 meter Net – Postponed for the Summer and will restart in October; need alternate net controls
- FoxBox 2 in assembly stage; to be tested w/other HT's to find best one
- Discussed what to do with 4 Baofeng HT's purchased to be raffled to new Techs – decided to hold for future classes
- Trailer inventory rescheduled to Spring 2021

Next Club Meeting: Friday, September 11, 2020 at 7:30 PM (via Zoom)

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Meeting Adjourned: 9:15 PM