

## HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

January 20, 2021

Meeting Began 7:05 PM (via Zoom)

### Attendees:

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

### Unable to Attend:

Vice President – AA1WH Marcel      ZeroBeat – N1JIE John

At Large – WA1OJN Bob

### President's Report: W1AST

- Larry reported on regional cabinet meeting which was held on January 9, 2021
- - Several clubs are conducting drive in license exams. Adapting to these COVID times. KA4KBX group in Alabama doing remote exams.
- - N1FD.org/NARS running a Ham Radio Boot Camp for new hams on March 24, 2021
- - Project Big E (presented by Larry, W1AST) for 9/17/ 2022 thru 10/2/2022 in progress and there are a lot of excited hams and clubs (including ours) interested in manning a booth at the Big E in 2022.
- - Several clubs in CT doing Fox Hunts including Meriden, CT club.
- - Virtual HamFest to be held in Northern VT on February 27, 2021 (ham-con.org)
- Enabled breakout rooms within Zoom. Discussion centered on future uses such as mini-Share the Knowledge sessions, other topics. See next bullet. Would be scheduled on nights other than meeting nights. Length of 30 -45 minutes. Record and post to website.
- Two breakouts will be scheduled as follows:
- February 16, 2021 CW Academy (tentative)
- March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Video on Arduino uses/project by Najm

### Vice President's Report: AA1WH

### Secretary's Report: NF1G

Related suggestion that the club have on hand Sympathy cards to be sent on behalf of the club when called for. Voted and Approved

### Treasurer's Report: KC1FQV

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| Balance per bank, December 1, 2020  | \$7,899.81        |
| Income                              |                   |
| Dues, net of Paypal fees            | 298.16            |
| Donations                           | 85.00             |
| Expenses                            |                   |
| Postage & Envelopes                 | <u>(45.17)</u>    |
| Balance per bank, December 31, 2020 | <u>\$8,237.80</u> |

### Program Director's Report: AA1UE

- Feb: Fox Hunting Techniques & Gear
- Mar: ClubLog: What is it and What Can You Do With IT?
- April: Show & Tell
- May: Talking to the ISS
- June: Elections and Field Day

### Membership Report: K1VOI

Total Members: 125  
Regular Members: 104  
Prospects: 6  
Life: 4  
Family: 11

### At Large: WA1OJN (Reported by W1AST)

- Bob is making up CW Reader kits and has delivered several kits. Balance will be made available when kits are completed.

### Technical: AB1ZA

- Najm has developed qualifying criteria for future Show & Tell. Will be published in January/February ZeroBeat
- Looking to possibly reestablish "Mini" Share the Knowledge sessions prior to monthly meetings through use of Zoom "rooms" set up for that purpose. More information to follow as to times and format Najm has developed an Arduino video demonstration for future presentation. See above for date.

### ZeroBeat: N1JIE

#### WebSite:

- Need to find someone with Wordpress knowledge to assist Vanessa
- YouTube Channel usage showing good demand.  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/HampdenCountyRA>. More info in next ZB.
- Vanessa to be invited to future Board meetings as her schedule permits.

#### New Business:

- New Ham Net up and running
- Ham class had 24 students as of last week
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#### Old Business:

- FoxBox 2 in testing/debug stage. New HT has been acquired for it.

Next Club Meeting: **Friday, February 5, 2021 at 7:30 PM (via Zoom)**

Next Board Meeting: **Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 7:00 PM (via Zoom)**

Meeting Adjourned: 8:25 PM