

HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 27, 2022

Meeting Began 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Attendees:

President – W1AST Larry

Secretary – NF1G Paul

Treasurer – KC1FQV Duane

ZeroBeat – KD1KU Ken

Tech. Dir. – AB1ZA Najm

Membership – K1VOI John

Unable to Attend:

At Large – WA1OJN Bob

Vice President – AA1WH Marcel

Program Dir. – AA1UE Gary

President's Report: Larry, W1AST

- HCRA is the designated "Home" club for the upcoming Big E Booth in September. Several New England clubs will be supplying personnel to staff the booth. Applied and received approval for ARISS contact sometime during the Big E run. Working with New England SCI-Tech.
- Field Day site at School Street Park has been secured.
- Discussed a plan for a GOTA station at Field Day. Approved provided we can secure operators and equipment. Anticipate a signup sheet for possible classes.
- Larry has been in touch with Holyoke Hospital. Room likely will become available however conditions presently mandated (all masked and 30 person limit) not acceptable. Will continue to monitor as well as search for other sites.
- Duane will be stepping down as Treasurer in June. Please notify Larry with any suggestions.

Vice President's Report: Marcel, AA1WH

No Report

Secretary's Report: Paul, NF1G

- Has sent email to Equipment Insurance carrier to attempt to obtain coverage for loaned equipment for Big E event. Insurer replied that club's equipment will be covered but no availability of coverage extension to non-club-owned equipment.

Treasurer's Report: Duane, KC1FQV

Balance per bank, March 1, 2022 \$7,554.08

Income

Sales of equipment 405.00

Memberships, net of PayPal fees 85.96

Interest on Savings .01

Amazon Smile donations 28.82

Expenses

HCSOLP Plaque (50.00)

Balance per bank, March 3, 2022 \$8,023.87

Balance includes Saving Account \$528.89

Program Director's Report: Gary, AA1UE

Show & Tell Meetings finished for the season. Please submit ideas for next year to Gary.

Remaining Regular meetings:

May 6: Introduction to Antenna Modeling – Greg WA1JXR

Jun 3: Elections & Field Day

All meetings will continue via Zoom until Holyoke Hospital, or other suitable meeting room, becomes available.

Membership Report: John, K1VOI

Total Members: 121

Regular Members: 109

Prospects: - 0 -

Life: 3

Family: 9

New licensees in our area will be sent invitation QSL cards and invited to join.

At Large: Bob, WA1OJN

No report

Technical: Najm, AB1ZA

- Possibly has speaking topic for next year if meetings are in person. Possibilities also include a STK session and a video on website.

ZeroBeat: Ken, KD1KU

- Advertising for General class – volunteers for organizing and instructors needed – email W1AST@arrl.net
- Promotions for Field Day and Big E to continue

New Business:

Old Business:

- 10 Meter net still attracting check-ins of about 5 – 10 per week
- "Worked All HCRA" certificate will be launched in connection with Club's 75th Anniversary in January 2023
- Bill, W5JAZ will be joining the Board in June as VP

Next Club Meeting: Friday, May 6, 2022 at 7:30 PM (via Zoom)

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Meeting Adjourned: 7:45 PM