

HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

September 21, 2022

Meeting Began 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Attendees:

President – W1AST Larry Vice President – W1AEZ Ed
ZeroBeat – KD1KU Ken Tech. Dir. – AB1ZA Najm
Treasurer – KC1V George Secretary – NF1G Paul
Membership – K1VOI John Program Dir. – AA1UE Gary

Unable to Attend:

At Large – WA1OJN Bob

President's Report: Larry, W1AST

- Holiday Party – Monday December 5th (later confirmed with Steaming Tender) More information to follow on price, menu, etc. Budget of \$150 agreed for door prizes.
- Discussion and voted to reintroduce HCRA Raffle – Geochron Atlas 4K plus Gift Certificate to Best Buy towards purchase of monitor and wall mount. (winners wall space may vary so decided to not include the monitor but allow winner to select their own.)
- Pay Your Dues Raffle Prize – if dues paid by October 30th eligible for drawing of \$150 DX Engineering Gift Card

Vice President's Report: Ed, W1AEZ

- Ed willing to assist in club projects when needed

Secretary's Report: Paul, NF1G

- Paul reported that Federal and State filings are up to date.

Treasurer's Report: George, KC1V

Balance per bank, August 1, 2022	\$7,115.94
Income	
Donations	60.00
Interest	.03
Expenses	
Field Day Food	<u>(202.41)</u>
Balance per bank, August 31, 2022	<u>\$6,973.56</u>

Income

Balance includes Saving Account \$546.52

Program Director's Report: Gary, AA1UE

Oct 7th Rockwell Shrock, WW1X presentation and demonstration of remote Ham radio

Nov 4th HCRA Ham Radio Auction – see ZeroBeat for details and item type restrictions

Dec 5th Holiday Party at Steaming Tender

Remaining Regular meetings:

Under development

Membership Report: John, K1VOI

Total Members: 47 (based on renewals through 9/21/22)

Regular Members: 39

Prospects: - 0 -

Life: 3

Family: 5

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

At Large: Bob, WA1OJN

No report

Technical: Najm, AB1ZA

Has presentation prepared, awaiting confirmation of date. Najm to present a Share the Knowledge session on using Arduino to control steppir motors.

ZeroBeat: Ken, KD1KU

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

New Business:

- Holiday Party for 2023 will be a Holiday and 75th Anniversary celebration. Expected to be recognized by the ARRL for 75th Anniversary

Old Business:

- 10 Meter net now returning to weekly on Monday evenings. See ZeroBeat and social media for details
- "Worked All HCRA" certificate will be launched in connection with Club's 75th Anniversary in January 2023
- Still awaiting word on when Springfield Museums will be available to host a Special Event Station post COVID
- Discussed possibility to have Greeters at each club meeting to make people, particularly potential and new Hams feel welcome.
- Discussed present website design and potential modification to make it more inviting to new Hams in search of relevant material. Discussion to be ongoing.

Next Club Meeting: Friday, October 7, 2022 at 7:30 PM at Holyoke Hospital

Next Board Meeting: Wednesday, October 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Meeting Adjourned: 8:03 PM