

HCRA Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

February 28, 2024

Meeting Began 7:00 PM via Zoom

Attendees:

President – W1AST Larry Secretary – NF1G Paul

Treasurer – KC1V George ZeroBeat – KD1KU Ken

At Large – KP4JLD Josue Tech. Dir. – WA1OJN Bob

Co-Webmaster – AB1XW Alan

Unable to Attend:

Program Dir. – AA1UE Gary Membership – Steve N1SR

Vice President – W1AEZ Ez

President's Report: Larry, W1AST

- Moving to groups.io for email due to more features and greater flexibility. Move is going well as number of participants continue to increase.
Still searching for leader or co-leaders to organize Field Day
- Share the Knowledge schedule continues to develop but disappointing participation this year. See Zerobeat for dates and topics.
- Table reserved for March 2nd MTARA Flea Market. Will finalize coverage of table next month. Table will have copies of ZBN, Club Flyer Membership Application, etc.
- Discussion of potential new President and other officers.

Vice President's Report: Ez, W1AEZ

Unable to attend, no report.

Secretary's Report: Paul, NF1G

- Liability insurance renewed effective March 1, 2024.
- Will follow up with Dave Cain on trailer registration and title transfer.

Treasurer's Report: George, KC1V

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed and approved. Any member may obtain a copy by contacting the Treasurer.

Co-Webmaster Report: Alan, AB1XW

- Several topics discussed primarily related to how to improve the website functionality. Lots of discussion about ideas to improve functionality now that we are moving to groups.io and possible avenues for integration.
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Program Director's Report: Gary, AA1UE

Program calendar is filled for Winter/Spring 2024. The remaining Fall/Winter lineup is as follows:

April: Show and Tell

May: KM1NDY – Adventures with POTA and SOTA

June: Elections and Field Day

Technician classes are going well with some students participating in person and others online.

Membership Report: Steve, N1SR (via email)

3 Life, 5 family, 9 prospects, 95 regular members, 1 courtesy Total 104 so far. Considerable number of members (31) have not renewed as yet. Hope to gain from upcoming license class.

- Membership list on HCRA.org needs to be updated and club membership must be updated before the 10 meter contest, Winter Field Day and NEQP contests.

At Large: Josue, KP4JLD

- No report

Technical: Bob, WA1OJN

- Discussed possible restart of balloon activity.

ZeroBeat: Ken, KD1KU

- Larry continues to hear accolades regarding ZeroBeat – Best club newsletter in New England – **great job Ken!!**

New Business:

Old Business:

Next Club Meeting: Friday, March 1, 2024 at 7:30 PM at Holyoke Hospital

Next Board Meeting: March 27, 2024 at 7:00 PM (via Zoom)

Meeting Adjourned: 7:48 PM