

Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club
Board of Directors Meeting
November 19, 2014

The meeting was called to order by vice President, Cory Sickles, WA3UVV, at 7:20 pm at the Club House in Mullica Hill.

Board members in attendance were:

Cory Sickles, WA3UVV
Al Arrison, KB2AYU
Sheldon Parker, K2MEN
Dan Tremolini, N2TXG
Jeff Garth, KC2WCS
Dave MacDonald, WB3JOY
Chuck Colabrese, WA2TML
Mark Townsend, W2OCY
John Zaruba, K2ZA
Jim Wright, N2GXJ via phone

A reading of the October 15th board minutes was done by Sheldon Parker. The minutes were approved as read.

The Treasurer's report was submitted by Al Arrison, KB2AYU. Net inflow for the calendar year through October 15th was \$8,096 against expenditures of \$4,963, netting \$3,133. Total for all account balances is \$15,682. Al noted that a 10 foot baseboard heating strip purchase and installation costs had not been paid yet. The treasurer's report was approved by the board members present.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Crosstalk – Jeff Garth, KC2WCS, reminded members the publishing deadline was today. Jim Wright, N2GXJ, encouraged members to contribute to Crosstalk.

Field day 2014 – Mark Townsend, W2OCY, reported our field day score of 10,826 had been published in the current QST issue.

Repeater – Cory Sickles, WA3UVV, indicated the recently installed new Yaesu DR-1X was working without incident on 2 meters and the DR-1 had been placed in 440 mhz repeater service. It too was working fine.

Holiday Party – Jim Wright, N2GXJ, reported that 30 members had signed up for the party so far at Seven Seas. Phyllis Martin, W2PBD, has been organizing the event.

Clubhouse – Al Arrison, KB2AYU, noted that he and Tom Litle, AB2YG, had shortened the outside water piping and installed heat tape to protect it from freezing during cold weather. The skirting on the rear of the trailer is almost complete. Progress had been made on cable routing in the VHF room and Bill Price, NJ2S, had installed the 10 foot heat strip in the main part of the trailer. Only wiring needs to be completed. Plans are being made to use the clubhouse for regular technical training and demo sessions. John Zaruba, K2ZA, reported plans to start a tech Saturday after the general membership meeting in December. He expects to invite the general membership to bring projects they are working on to the sessions for technical advice.

Budget – Al Arrison, KB2AYU, indicated he is beginning to prepare for the 2015 budget. To begin, the budget committee will need to be formed. He noted that 2014 was almost a “break even” year.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Cory Sickles, WA3UVV, announced a club equipment donation of a Heathkit signal generator and oscilloscope had been made by an anonymous donor who had given it to HRO for donation to a deserving organization.

There was a brief discussion about several content issues in Crosstalk, but no action was taken.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheldon Parker, K2MEN