Gloucester County Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting Minutes Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Meeting opened @ 1900 Hours by President Jonathan Pearce WB2MNF

Attendance:

- President Jon Pearce WB2MNF : Present
- Vice President Ron Block NR2B : Present
- Treasurer John O'Connell K2QA: Present
- Recording Secretary John Zaruba Jr K2ZA: Present
- Corresponding Secretary Frank Romeo N3PUU: Present
- Director (2022-2024) James Clark Sr. KA2OSV : Present
- Director (2022-2024) Jeffrey Garth WB2ZBN: Present
- Director (2023-2025) Chris Prioli AD2CS: Present
- Director (2023-2025) James Wright N2GXJ : Present
- Director (2024-2026) Al Arrison KB2AYU: Present
- Director (2024-2026) Bill Price NJ2S : Present
- Trustee (2021-2024) Carl Wittig N2CRW
- Trustee (2022-2025) Charles Lanard KD2EIB
- Trustee (2023-2026) Sheldon Parker K2MEN
- Trustee (2024-2027) Len Rust W2LJR
- Member Mike Resnick N2WOQ : Present

New Member Applications:

- George M. Badger III W3AB, Soquel, CA (Returning Member)
- Jason Watkins KD2VVJ, Sewell, NJ
- Arthur Strong KA0WS, Falkville, AL (Returning Member)
- Michael Angelastro No Call, Cherry Hill, NJ

Treasurer's Report:

Income: \$6,118.30Expense: \$609.06Net: \$5,509.24

- Discussion of VHF Tower fund cutoff, goal has been achieved don't want to create donor fatigue. Motion made and approved by voice vote of Club Officers present. Discussion of plaque to recognize donors.
- Detailed financial statements are available for member review upon request.

Clubhouse Report : No report

Technical Committee:

 Discussion of tasks and methods to finish VHF room and provide completed project details to ARDC to close out the grant.

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GCARC Foundation:

• Discussion of foundation funding of Clubhouse IT infrastructure.

Repeaters: No report

Programs and Activities Committee:

- Discussion of March GM Meeting Program, which is ARRL SNJ Section Club Liaison. What questions need to get asked and time management due to 2130 Hours hard stop.
- Discussion of program speakers and cross club collaborations.
- Discussion of potential Club activity around April Solar Eclipse.
- **Jim Wright N2GXJ** reported on upcoming Fox Hunt on March 16th. Slightly different format than previous hunts. Discussion of Tech Saturday start time for Fox Hunt presentation.
- Jeff Garth WB2ZBN noted 2M Club Nets averaged 10 check-ins in January.

Membership Committee:

- To date, 73 members have not renewed. Chris Prioli AD2CS will approach these members to find their reasoning to see if there are things to be done to improve member engagement and retention.
- Discussion of ARRL tardiness in processing renewals submitted by the Club. It is creating a sore point among some members. Issue to be brought up with the Section Club Liaison.

Hamfest:

• Mike Resnick N2WOQ reported on ticket printing. Asked about logistic of sending a thank you e-mail for attendees.

Education Committee:

- Chris Prioli AD2CS discussed Advanced SMT Soldering Class proposal.
- Technician and General License Classes to start the week of April 22nd, no sign ups currently for Extra Class.

Old Business: None

New Business:

- John O'Connell K2QA proposed adding PayPal fees to online membership renewal. Will NOT apply to online donations (convenience fee). Since this is not a change of membership rates, it was determined that a bylaws change is not required as the fee can be bypassed by paying in person. Motion passed by voice vote of Club officers present
- GoDaddy e-mail address subscription not renewed, Club e-mail addresses moved to Club server for a savings to the budget of \$125.
- Discussion of moving GM meeting start time to 1900 Hours due to Pfeiffer Community Center constraints, to be announced at the March Meeting and beginning in April. Motion approved by voice vote of Club officers present.
- **Jim Clark KA2OSV** announced his resignation from the Board due to relocation to South Carolina. The Board thanked Jim for his many years of service to the Club and wished him all the best in his new home.

Meeting adjourned @ 2017 Hours.

Respectfully Submitted, John Zaruba Jr K2ZA, Recording Secretary