

CARS BOD MEETING Minutes 02/27/18

Meeting called to order: 7:30 PM by President Mike Tromba.

Attendees:

Officers

President	Mike Tromba	KK4OXH	Present
Vice President	Dennis Watson	KM4TJR	Present
Secretary	Van Rowe	KM4KBS	Not Present
Treasurer	Jeff Kayser	KM4ALL	Present
Communications Officer	Bill Mellema	N3WM	Not present
Immediate Past President	Keith Ainsley	KG4ZXK	Not Present
(C)ARES Chairman	Van Rowe	KM4KBS	Not Present
Repeater Committee	Bill Mellema	N3WM	Not present
Field Day Chairman	Mike Tromba	KK4OXH	Present
Club Historian	Ronald Liston	KK4LRW	Not Present

Other attendees:

1	Name	Call sign
2	Paul B	K4PRB
3	Jim	
4	Bill	WF4R

Treasurers Report:

All deposits made

Discussion of new way of collecting dues. We agreed that this is something that we should pursue. Not sure with what format but want to have the capability for members to pay dues on-line or at the meetings with a credit card. Might have to add a small charge to members for using the on-line or credit card service.

Discussed membership drive we are 39 confirmed but expect there are a more people that will register for another membership year.

Committee Reports: · ARES Report: - no new news this month.

Communication Officers Report / Repeater: no news this month.

Old Business:

Raymond Reis to give April 2nd club meeting presentation. (topic unknown)

New BOD position for an IT Officer to parallel the Communications officer. Club-house Internet, Website Domain Responsibilities; Web Services; Digital Networking; Security etc. BOD wants to move forward if we can find a volunteer to assume the position. Will announce at General meeting on March 5th.

BOD want to bring internet to club-house. An antenna has been installed and we have connected to Woody's Restaurant across Battlefield. However still issue with connecting with the rest of the room via Ethernet or WIFI. We discussed the purchases of a mobile hotspot in the club house. Some reported that the rate might be a little a 20.00 per month for a hot spot via T-Mobile. Mike is going to do some more investigating.

General License Class & VE Session: Jan 27 – Feb 17 (Paul) completed.

Need more CARS Digital Mode Presentation volunteers / (Feb 17 – Barry K5VIP gave a FT-8 presentation) Next presentation to be on March 17 by Bill N3WM on CW operations. However, there might be a conflict with Virginia QSO event, discussed below. Still looking for more digital events. Mike video recorded Barry's presentation and is working on uploading to YouTube and perhaps the web site. More to follow.

There is interest in opening the club of the Virginia QSO event the weekend of 17 March. Jim has volunteered to help with antenna set up prior to the event. He was given a green light to help with this effort. Mike discussed having the club supply some pizza for participants. This is a good event to encourage new member (rookies) that have not participated in a QSO event to get on the air. Also, good time to begin thinking on how club will tackle Field Day operations.

2018 Tour de Cure: Hampton Roads VA 4/28/2018 @ Suffolk Executive Airport @ 1410 Airport Road 23434 - Will be a 100 MI, 63 MI, 30 MI, 12 MI Bike Ride & a 5K Walk and 5K Run - Have preliminary Maps from Marianne Collins (No new updates on maps as of 2-21-18) - Van (KM4KBS) made announcement on the Wed night NC Columbia Repeater Net & received an email from Kerry Krauss mentioning the availability to possibly use the Hertford Repeater (147.330).

2018 Club Field Day (Mike Tromba) – We have a permit. Volunteers needed. Lots of work to do but energy and interest is high. March 1st field day rules for 2018. Will be released. Club will need to review and look for the many ways to earn points for the event. CARS wants to have an operational plan to coordinate effort and increase fun factor.

W4CAR Club License has been renewed for another 10 years. (Bill – N3WM). OBTW club is 39 years old.
Time to start thinking about the 40 Anniversary Party in 2019.

New Business:

Club applications: Alan Shepard approved for membership. Welcome Alan.

2018 Technician Class: Sat 3/24/18 (2pm-4pm); Tues & Thurs (7pm-9pm) & Sat 4/07/18 (Exam @ 1pm)- Paul will teach. **Needs a minimum of 5 personal.**

We discussed cleaning out the store rooms and possible setting up a work table to allow member to work on project in the shop. Moving the server off the table was suggested.

Next General Club Meeting: Monday March 5th @ 7:30pm

Meeting adjourned at: 10:51