

# CARS BOD Minutes 8 / 28 / 2018

Start Time: 1933

Attendees:

1. Mike T--Pres
2. Dennis W--VP
3. Jeff K--Treasure
4. Bill M – Communications Officer
5. Van—Secretary
6. Steven G—IT Officer
7. Barry P—BOD Guest and Club Member

Previous minutes:

- Read by Dennis

Treasurer's Report:

- Club is in good financial standing.

Committee Reports

- a. ARES,
  - i. New website: Van is creating a new website called HamRadioTidewater.com for all local clubs to post information.
  - ii. Steve Nowak, is handling our CARES interface with the City, please keep informed of any info that we need to flow to-from the City.
  - iii. At Virginia Beach Hamfest ---There will be a big ARES demo and display, please check it out.
- b. Communication:
  - i. Repeater are working well, no issues.
  - ii. Will pick up controller from Bill R, to get it to Steven to see if we can find a way to program and use it. We also have a spare repeater we may want to use.
  - iii. We will pull out filters in Kenwood 746 and return to Paul. We plan to sell the radio at VB Hamfest. We have a club table.
  - iv. Club key box was left open. Need to tighten up on our "in and out" procedures. Make sure box is locked up when you leave. Make sure you sign-in when coming into club house if not attending a normal meeting like shack day, general meeting etc.
- c. IT/Web Services
  - i. Wifi. Will take the internet connected tablet outside the server cage to enable better connectivity in the club house. Testing still in progress. You can get to the internet from work stations. Working on a way to allow us to connect to internet from phones and laptops. What to make sure we have worked out the security issues.

## Old Business:

- At Aug 21 Shack Day storeroom was cleaning out and shelf units added. A lot of old computer equipment that will be offered to membership and what is left over will be taken to a computer equipment recycling location.
- General meeting in September will be postponed a day due to the Labor Day Holiday. Sept meeting will be on Tuesday Sept 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Raising dues to \$20.00 was approved by the membership at last general meeting for 2019.
- Tom Kerr (CARS member) discussed with board the possibility of club members participation in Virginia Defense Force as communicators. The VDF supports Virginia National Guard with communication support and they are always in need of experienced radio operators. He was going to provide some info we could put on our website to help VDF get the word out to other Hams.

## New Business:

- Spring HAM tailgate;
  - We decide to have a Spring Hamfest Tailgate. More planning to find a venue and date and figure out how we will do it. This is a keep it simple meet-up at a parking lot. People with equipment to see can open their trunk and people looking for good deals can purchase. Club will charge (except a small donation) and we man except a small donation for all the buyers. Date to be determined but this will be after Richmond Hamfest in Mar-May time frame.
- WiresX is a success and membership voted to purchase a new radio. Next steps for WiresX is do more testing and ask for feedback from membership.
- Club to club interactions was discussed. CARS is willing to work with all the other Ham clubs in the area to advance Armature Radio community.
- New membership application:
  - Approved in Aug BOD for Sept GM vote:
    - Conner Black is candidate to become a new member.
- Elections for new officers will happen at October general meeting. Seems all the officers are willing to run for another term. We will open the floor to nomination at September general meeting and will accept nomination anytime between Sept and Oct meetings. The elections will be conducted at the Oct meeting with new officer terms starting in November.
- The CARS BOD received a complaint from a CARS club member concerning another member making a comment at an August shack day meeting.

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