CARS BOD MEETING AGENDA
25 April 2022
Held In-Person & Virtually Via GoToMeeting
https://meet.goto.com/RaymondReis/cars-bod-and-membership-meetings
Meeting ID: 789-571-853

Attendees: Start Time: 7:00pm
- X Mike Tromba (WM4ST) – President
- X Gary Atkinson (K4GDA) – Vice President
- X Duane Ettwein (KJ4YKG) – Treasurer
- X Jeff Kayser (KM4ALL) – Communications Officer
- X Blair Gillam (NS1H) – Secretary

Others Present:
- X Steve Griggs (KC4CAW) – IT and Networks
- X Van Rowe (KM4KBS) – ARES
- VACANT – Membership
- X John Cooper (N3JC) – PSOC Updates
- Todd Smith KO4ZGV
- Bob KN4STP
- Tracey K4LXN
- Jeremy Mittelstaedt KN4FWY – Norfolk Club President
- Sean N4SML
- Bill N3WM
- John W2JEL

Previous Minutes Review: (Blair NS1H)

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Treasurer’s Report: (Duane KJ4YKG)

- Status / Current balances:
  - Income: $743.32, Expenses: $440.44
  - Checking: $8,535.85
  - PayPal: $66.67
  - Square: $4.77
  - Cash: $603
  - Prepaid Dues: $210
- Budget Update: Currently Fundraiser amount is lower than expected but Donations are higher than expected.
- Tailgator Update: 67 attendees
Vote to Accept Treasurer’s Report
Motioned: KM4ALL
Seconded: K4GDA
Accepted/Denied: Accepted

Communication Officer’s Report: (Jeff KM4ALL)
- Status: All repeaters are online at full power. All repeaters at Butts Station are using all LMR-400 with N connectors end-to-end now. Each amplifier has its own power supply.
- Facility: NSTR
- Equipment: Rotator still out of commission. The starter capacitor was replaced, measurements taken and all were within the expected ranges except the brake. Will need to get up on the tower in the future.

Committee Reports
ARES Report: (Van KM4KBS – Chesapeake ARES EC)
- ARES:
  - Wednesday Night Net: Be prepared to shift to a different repeater if 146.82 experiences issues again.
- PSOC:
  - Upcoming US Army/AUXCOMM Exercise
  - Winlink Digipeater working well. Awaiting Stu to submit paperwork to finalize the requirements to stand up a full Winlink VHF RMS gateway.
  - PSOC presentation will be presented at a future shack day.
- Tour de Cure:
  - The assignment list is being finalized to map rest stop #s to align with the 100-mile route rest stop #s.
  - Be prepared to report to Race EOC/Command Center at 6am.

IT Networks: (Steven KC4CAW)
- Status: See Steven to get your w4car.org account.

Membership: (VACANT)
- Todd Smith KO4ZGV has volunteered to fill the Membership Committee Chair role.
- Membership – 2 vetted application this month:
  - Marshall Stipes (N4YWZ)
  - Olena Hunsicker (KJ4KUB) (Family member addition to KI4RXC’s existing membership)

Vote to Present Applicants for General Meeting Vote
Motioned: K4GDA
Seconded: NS1H
Accepted/Denied: Accepted

Old Business:
• Spring Tailgator After Action
  - What went well? Weather & food
  - What didn’t go so well?
    ▪ New template for flier – determine dates and times early
    ▪ Advertise earlier for Fall 2022 Tailgator
    ▪ Different restroom location than last time
  - What should be changed for next time?
    ▪ Change times to 9am-1pm with grand prize drawing @ 1pm
    ▪ Space out door prizes – give one out every 30 minutes
  - Ideas for next time:
    ▪ $100 cash prize
    ▪ Bigger grand prize radio (a mobile instead of HT)
    ▪ Check-in Location moved to back but W4CAR sign should be towards the front of the parking lot.

- GENERAL MEETING AGENDA ITEM: Solicit feedback on event and future prize options

• CARS Portable Derby: Rules at https://w4car.org/portable-derby/
- GENERAL MEETING AGENDA ITEM: Jim KG4WOJ to present final plan

• Field Day Planning updates
  - Park permit approved
  - Schedule FD 2022 planning meeting after Tour de Cure
- GENERAL MEETING AGENDA ITEM: Schedule FD2022 Planning Meeting
  - Norfolk Club planning to join us. Possibility of Norfolk setting up and running one of our 5A stations.
  - Harry is planning the food—we have options.

New Business

• Membership Committee Lead Volunteer: Todd Smith KO4ZGV
• NinoTNC Build Project
• Courses & VE Sessions Updates
  - Technician Course Status
  - VE Session – May 7, 2022
    ▪ N4SML will be traveling and not available. N4SML reaching out to Ed Williams KN4KL to run a traditional (non-electronic) VE session. If KN4KL has a scheduling conflict, will reach out to Bill WF4R or Duane KJ4YKG to run the exam.

• Calendar Review and Events Update
  - Next Shack Day: May 21, 2022 @ 10am
    ▪ If participating in the Portable Derby, be at the Shack at 9am
  - Next Virginia Beach ARC License Exam: May 12, 2022
  - Tour de Cure: April 30, 2022
  - CARS Portable Derby: May 21, 2022
• Contest Calendar:
  - ARRL International Digital Contest: June 4-5, 2022
  - ARRL June VHF Contest: June 11-13, 2022
  - Field Day: June 25-26, 2022
  - 13 Colonies: July 1-7, 2022
  - IARU HF World Championship: July 9-10, 2022

Number of Members @ Meeting: 7 in-person, 8 online
Adjourn Time: 8:38PM