CARS BOD MEETING AGENDA
February 2023
Held In-Person & Virtually Via GoToMeeting
https://meet.goto.com/RaymondReis/cars-bod-and-membership-meetings
Meeting ID: 789-571-853

Start Time: 7:00pm

Officers & Committee Leads

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Intros & Welcome

Everyone: Please sign in on the sign-in sheet that is going around.

Visitors: Make sure to check in with the Ham in the safety vest to say hi.

Congrats to K4GDA on his retirement effective at 4pm today.

Having issues with GotoMeeting

Previous Meeting Minutes

Blair (NS1H)

Vote to Accept the Previous Minutes
Motioned: KM4ALL
Seconded: K4GDA
Accepted/Denied: Accepted
**Treasurer’s Report**
Duane (KJ4YKG)
- Status/Current Balances:
  - Income: $591.94
  - Expenses: $952.23
  - Checking: $8,637.18
  - PayPal: $205.72
  - Petty Cash: $239
  - Prepaid Dues Liabilities: $120
- Budget Update: Currently on track

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**Communications**
Jeff (KM4ALL)
- Repeaters: All repeaters operating.
- Facilities: All equipment except the AT130 is working.
- Equipment:
  - Need to schedule a Tower Drop for Icom AT130 repair
  - Found a new source for the triplexer (VA6AM) and expecting shipment around March 20th

**Committee Reports**
**IT and Network Projects**
Steven (KC4CAW)
- Having GoToMeeting issues this evening.
- AT&T FirstNet Proposal: Considering switching from T-Mobile to FirstNet for our Shack (and W4CAR remote field ops). We are currently paying $20/mo for T-Mobile and FirstNet would be $40/mo.

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**ARES & PSOC Report**
Van (KM4KBS) & John (N3JC)
- ARES:
  - Tour de Cure is April 29, 2023. Expecting routes and rest stops to be confirmed at any time.
o ARES Committee/Council: KM4KBS & KO4ROX have been brainstorming how to assemble the ARES Committee/Council.
o Discussion re: ARES & City EC planning
  ▪ PSOC: City gave Stu & John 10 minutes to talk about amateur radio to a local emergency management group discussing East Palestine. Had a successfully demonstration of sending a Winlink message to all attendees.

**Membership**

Todd (KO4ZGV)

- Membership roster is up to date in Ham Club Online. Membership Dues reminder email went out and we are seeing folks pay their dues.

- Ham Club Online Welcome emails will go out before the March General meeting.

- No new membership applications this month.

**Old Business**

- GOTA for Life Club
  o K3MRI has assembled hamcommunity.com as a free resource to keep amateur radio operators engaged.

- Radio Loaner Kits
  o Asset tracking with Ham Club Online

- Recent Donations
  o N3WM has been performing technical checkouts of recently donated ham radio.
  o Drake R4B & T4XB with bad power supply. N3WM offered to purchase for $250. K4GDA motioned to sell the Drake radios. Multiple seconds. Board approved.
  o Discussion on donations and the development of a plan to ensure compliance with 501c3 status and honoring the wishes of the donors. Discussion about partnering with Chesapeake Public Library to lend out radio equipment licensed hams.
  o Discussion about the TenTec radio.
  o **ACTION ITEM: Develop a club policy on donations.**
    ▪ K4GDA volunteered to come up with a plan/policy.

**New Business**

- Field Day 2023
  o WM4ST ordered the previously\approved antenna mast
KO4ROX idea for Field Day display: Volunteered to display his Overland rig as a talking point to introduce ham radio to park visitors. Static display would have “published hours”.

Current Plans – Don (KQ4AIP)
- Mike Pritt volunteered to be the PIO for FD23. John Hammond
- Alex KO4ZXI is acting as the assistant coordinator.
- Tiny has agreed to be the band plan manager.
- John Fitzgerald will be the photography and assistant food coordinator.
- Still need safety officer and food coordinator

ACTION ITEM: NS1H to send KQ4AIP the FD 2022 After Action.

- Training & Testing Updates
  - Next Training Course – TBD
  - Upcoming VE Test Sessions – Sean (N4SML)
    - March 11 – ARRL Session 0930 standard paper test

- W1AW/VA event in October 2023
  - CARS would operate the spreadsheet for VA stations to sign up. Slots would be phone, cw, and digital.
  - ACTION ITEM: NS1H will take the lead on running the spreadsheet.

- CARS Logo Shirts – Sean (N4SML)
  - Fundraiser opportunity with a minimum quantity of 50 shirts. Third party handles screen printing, ordering, and shipping. The third party sends the club a check covering.
  - ACTION ITEM: Add item to General agenda for CARS Club logo tshirts or hats.

Calendar
- Next Shack Day: March 18, 2023 @ 10am (N3JC presentation at 10:15am)
- Next Virginia Beach ARC License Exam: March 9, 2023?
- Next CARS License Exam: March 11, 2023 @ 9:30am
- Contest Calendar:
  - International DX (Phone): March 4-5, 2023
  - VA QSO Party: March 18-19, 2023 (pizza to be provided)
  - Portable Ops Test Run (Northwest River Park): March 31-April 2
  - Rookie Roundup (Phone): April 16, 2023
  - International Digital Contest: June 3-4, 2023
  - June VHF Contest: June 10-12, 2023
  - Field Day: June 24-25, 2023
- Email BOD any proposed calendar items/changes/corrections
- Other New Business or Discussion Points
  - ACTION ITEM: Add to General Meeting Agenda time for Alex KO4ZXI to talk about his trip to Texas
Number of Members @ Meeting: 14 in-person, 2/3 online
Adjourn Time: 9:00pm

Attendance
Online: KM4TJY (was on gotomeeting before it failed), KJ4YKG, N4SML
In-Shack: AH2EJ, N3JC, n3wm, gary squared, ko4zxi, ko4rox, KG4WOJ