

# **CARS BOD MEETING AGENDA**

## **August 2023 (Held September 5, 2023)**

**Held In-Person & Virtually Via GoToMeeting**

<https://meet.goto.com/RaymondReis/cars-bod-and-membership-meetings>

Meeting ID: 789-571-853

Start Time: 19:00

### Officers & Committee Leads

<u>Officer</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Callsign</u>	<u>Present?</u> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> or <input type="checkbox"/>
President	Mike Tromba	WM4ST	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Vice President	Gary Atkinson	K4GDA	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Treasurer	Duane Ettwein	KJ4YKG	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Comms Officer	Jeff Kayser	KM4ALL	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Secretary	Blair Gillam	NS1H	<input type="checkbox"/>
Past President	John Cooper	N3JC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<u>Committee</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Callsign</u>	<u>Present?</u>
IT & Networks	Steven Griggs	KC4CAW	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
ARES/CARES EC	Van Rowe	KM4KBS	<input type="checkbox"/>
Membership	Todd Smith	KO4ZGV	<input type="checkbox"/>
Youth Program Coordinator	Ron Liston	KK4LRW	<input type="checkbox"/>
Field Day Coordinator	Don Newsome	KQ4AIP	<input type="checkbox"/>
CARS Public Relations/PIO	<b>Vacant</b>		<input type="checkbox"/>

### 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.

### Previous Meeting Minutes

Blair (NS1H)

Vote to Accept the Previous Minutes

Motioned: Jeff

Seconded: Duane

Accepted/Denied: Approved

## Treasurer's Report

Duane (KJ4YKG)

- Status/Current Balances:
- Budget Update:
  - Income: \$94.00
  - Expenses: \$65.41
  - Checking: \$8869.20
  - Petty Cash: \$211.00
  - PayPal/Square: \$0
  - Prepaid Dues: \$90 for 2024; \$30 for 2025
  - Other:

<u>Vote to Accept the Treasurer's Report</u>
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Motioned: Jeff KM4ALL
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Seconded: Gary K4GDA
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Accepted/Denied: Approved
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## Communications

Jeff (KM4ALL)

- Repeaters: All Repeaters working. Reports of an LF hum on .82, suspect it is user receiver issue as issue is not universal
  - ICOM AC-130 appears to be intermittent. Works on some ICs and not others.
- Facilities:
  - AC condensate is flooding the floor. Jeff to put in a work order with city.
  - Lights are fixed, City of Chesapeake replaced all bulbs
  - Shack Cleanup
- Equipment: No reported issues

## Committee Reports

### **IT and Network Projects**

Steven (KC4CAW)

- Shack IT Equipment status – Equipment up. Network: Up
- FirstNet Status – No updated status.
- Wires X local VM is operational, but Azure VM has been deleted IOT streamline size to fit within Azure Grant bounds.

### **ARES & PSOC Report**

Van (KM4KBS) & John (N3JC)

- ARES: No Report
- PSOC:
  - Visit from Flex Radio CTO and Military Marketing visited PSOC and ODU. Had a Q&A with hams.
  - Updated cameras at PSOC to see equipment status.

- Investigating if we want or should have a camera in the CARS Shack. Issue is the internet bandwidth at the shack if we stream video (~300K). Jeff motioned that we purchase, Gary seconded to purchase a \$50 camera and \$80 remote antenna, John N3JC will purchase.

## **Membership**

Todd (KO4ZGV)

- No new membership applications this month.
- Duane received dues for a Nathan Schultz (No call sign provided) but we have no application. Duane will email him to investigate

## **Old Business**

- W1AW/4 Activation (25 October – 1 Nov)
  - Please sign up at <https://vota.w4car.org>
  - Site is live, but some members reported difficulty signing up. Few have – We need to push at the General Membership Meeting
  - Any plans to open up the CARS Shack on Oct 28/29 for club members? No reason not to open up. Will push on weekly
- Board/Officer Elections & Nomination Committee
  - BOD nominations due on September 11, 2023. Nominations at next Gen meeting
  - BOD Elections at the October 2<sup>nd</sup> General Meeting

## **New Business**

- Fall Apparel
  - Options, pricing & margins. Focusing on colder weather gear. Jackets, track type jackets, Polo shirts.
  - Plan is to nearly break even...no intent to make money, just cover the purchase, taxes, shipping and Square Fees.
  - Expect to create a CARS store to manage and track purchases. Will place orders within a week.
- ODU Equipment Loan Options (Pushed from July BOD meeting)
  - IC-706: K5VIP is repairing it with parts from another IC-706. No word on the status as Barry has been out of town
  - Yaesu 891 if no word from Barry.
  - Planning to also provide power supply (or battery/charger) and possibly a dipole & coax. Mike suggested we supply a battery

- Training & Testing Updates
  - Next Training Course. No plans as of yet for a training session. No demand so far.
  - Upcoming VE Test Sessions – Sean (N4SML)
    - Session this week (Shane will run)
    - 09 Sep, 14 Oct, 11 Nov
- Christmas Party. Duane will check out Big Woody's to see if the large room is still available.

## Calendar

- Next Shack Day: September 16, 2023 @ 10am
  - 12pm discussion by Shenanigans on the October trip
- Next Virginia Beach ARC License Exam: September 14, 2023
- Contest Calendar:
  - September VHF Contest: September 9-11, 2023
  - Collegiate QSO Party: October 1-2, 2023
  - Shenandoah Shenanigans: October 13-15, 2023
  - School Club Roundup: October 16-20, 2023
  - W1AW/4 VA Activation: October 25 - November 1, 2023
- Email BOD any proposed calendar items/changes/corrections
- Other New Business or Discussion Points
  - Ed Gibbs wants to give a presentation on STEM. Mike will offer the General Meeting on 12 Sep.
- Oh by the way: PSOC received 9 Pelican cases for the shelter radios. We will need to prepare the cases for the equipment.

Number of Members @ Meeting: 10 in-person, 0 online  
Adjourn Time: 19:47