



NORTH OKALOOSA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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MINUTES

11 April 2019

Opening (7:00 PM)

- Pledge of allegiance
- Prayer
- Introductions

Officer's Reports

Secretary's Report – Rob KM4SPJ

- Minutes are posted for March
- Sunbiz registration has been paid for 2019

Treasurer's Report – Robert KM4VKY

- Robert is absent

Executive Board Report – CJ KJ4PIU (*Excused*)/Craig KK4WDR

- Motion to accept all officer reports: Motion made & carried.

Club Committee Reports

- Training and Advancement – From Bruce KA5DLV, Mike, W4BZM & Craig KK4WDQ
 - April 20, Walton Country Tailgate
 - April: Training & Exam scheduled

FROM: Bruce Adams, KA5DLV

DATE: Tuesday, April 9, 2019

SUBJECT: Committee Report from Training and Advancement

An exam by WCARS/VEC has been scheduled for Tuesday, April 23rd, 6:00 pm at Rocky Bayou Church, Genesis Hall, 2401 Partin Drive North, in Niceville. Notices have been posted on the Facebook page, submitted to the webmaster and announced on the nightly net.

This exam session is to help license the students from the Technician Study Course, and is open to the public. The exam fee is \$10.00.

FRNs (Federal Registration Numbers) are required on the 605 application by each applicant; the FCC will no longer accept Social Security Numbers as of the first of this year.

- Tech Nights- Rob KM4SPJ
 - April 25 Fox Hunting Bob N4CU
 - May 23 Prep for Field Day (4th Weekend in June) Activities Committee

"The April 25th Tech meeting will be the first Fox Hunt for NOARC in a long time. It will be a practice to find a fox on the church property. Depending on the results, the activities chairman, Rich, N4DPM, will schedule the next fox hunt. The tape measure beam and offset oscillator tech nights both demonstrated the use of a directional antenna locating a unseen signal location. Bring your flashlight, your tape measure beam, your offset oscillator and a receiver you can program or switch to 146.55 and .58. There will be a fox in the assembly hall on .55 and at 7:25 PM and leave to find the outside fox on .58. At 7:55 all return to the assembly hall for a quick review and close of meeting. -Bob N4CU"

- Station Committee – Bob N4CU (*Excused*)
 - Activities – Rich N4DPM Report
 - Upcoming Events:
 - March 23: Triple B BBQ downtown Crestview (*No Participation*)
 - April 6 & 7: Florida Parks on the Air: Participation (*No Participation*)
 - Scratch Ankle Presentation (Jack K4JPH): 13 April; 0700-1600; Appeal for NOARC participation; race is identical as previous years; all Comm stations tied with Aid stations; HTs will not work...too far from repeater; any volunteers approach Jack directly.
 - Field Day: 22 & 23 June: All Solar...preparation in progress
 - 'Ag Center,' Paxton
 - Florida QSO Party 27th-28th April (Saturday & Sunday)
 - Rich will open the station if requested (Saturday 1100-9PM)
 - Youth Committee – Scott KF6LEC & Kathy KM4YOH
 - *Unavailable due to seasonal work at home*
 - ARES (non-club report) – Steve N4GXX
 - Average Hurricane season expected +/- One
 - 2 radios being programmed for the go kits
 - ICS (4 modules) needed to become an ARES member
 - Upcoming Web EOC Training for 2019... Niceville, tomorrow; 0800-1100
- Motion to accept all committee reports: Motion made and seconded. Motion carries.

Old Business

- Proposal for Disaster Preparedness Committee/EOC Representatives (Rob KM4SPJ)
 - County EOC Interface, Crestview EOC set up and manpower, Shelter Communications set up and manpower

- Committee Volunteers: Ron KI5FR, Philip N4PRC, Craig KK4WDQ, Rob KM4SPJ, Rich N4DPM, Don KN4CGX
 - From Scott KF6LEC & Kathy KM4YOH
 - Ron KI5FR was able to get a VHF radio for the Crestview EOC
 - Due to scheduling issues we are unable to assist with the installation.
 - We also feel that it would be better for someone local to Crestview to do the set up as they are the most likely to be the ones who operate the station.
 - We will be staying in Laurel Hill if there is any disaster.
- Website – KM4VKY (*Deferred*)
- Registered Agent & Corporation Status (Rob KM4SPJ): *Completed*
- Mark Smith (LOBC) offers sound equipment for NOARC meetings
- ARRL (Craig KK4WDQ) putting out survey on bands/frequencies for Technicians
- Status Update: Mark (LOBC) asks for help
 - Stringing cable for CCTV; Audio-Visual; Grey Water Tank
 - Sheet Rock Mudding; Replacing rotting planks; Install additional window AC;
 - Replacing planks and hand rails on foot bridge;

New Business

- Motion: “I move the club purchase a FTM-100DR for \$304.95 from HRO in Atlanta.”

“Discussion: When we put up the beam we removed the VHF/UHF antenna. I obtained a single side mount and a piece of 1/4 mast and Ron, KI5FR, found it as a good fit and as proof of concept attached it to the tower. There is coax in our closet. We have an adequate power supply in the closet. It is time we had a good VHF/UHF system at our club station. I found this the best price for a suitable radio. CJ has a list of others considered with the quote from Mark at HRO. –Bob N4CU”

Club discussion: Fusion capable; good price;

- Motion, moved, seconded and motion carries.
- Ted has placed a box on the sign in table for used ink cartridges. He will turn these in, receiving a dollar per cartridge to be donated to the club. He needs 20 cartridges to send in.
- 20 April: Defuniak Springs Ham Tailgate
- 2 May: Everyone is invited to Don KN4CGX retirement

President's Remarks (VP Craig KK4WDR)

- Thanks to LOBC for the use of the facilities
- Donation for the church accepted in the donation Pail
- Remember the Sign In Sheet
- Adjourn for to Burger King on South Ferdon

Submitted by: Rob KM4SPJ

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