



# NORTH OKALOOSA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

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## MINUTES BUSINESS MEETING

13 August 2020

**Opening** (7:00 PM) Bob Murphy KI4MEU

- Pledge of allegiance
- Prayer
- Meeting conducted at Live Oak Baptist Church and on Zoom.

### Opening Comments:

- Mario Worth special guest was welcome.

### Officer's Reports

Secretary's Report – Ralph KM4JJS

- Minutes are posted late for July 2020

Treasurer's Report – Steve N4GXX

- Total Bank Equity: \$8455.23

- **Motion to accept** Treasury report except Secretary Report: 1<sup>st</sup> - AJ4XK & 2<sup>nd</sup> – KM4BKY, Motion Carries

### Club Committee Reports

- ◆ Training and Advancement Committee (Bruce – KA5DLV)
  - 1. The four-session training course via Zoom for the Technician License ended on August third. Sixteen students participated: one from Alabama and one from Tampa. The students were very appreciative of the effort by all of the instructors, and were engaged throughout the twelve hour course. Twelve students were planning on testing, with one testing virtually and passing after week three. Two more students will likely test Virtually. The students are looking for “hands on” time, plus are desiring Elmers. The club will have to help us on this issue.
  - Guest instructors were KK4KRZ, KI5FR, KJ4RWD, KI4ZER and KM4OZK in addition to the leads W4BZM and KA5DLV. THANKS TO ALL OF YOU!!! The course was advertised on the normal club methods, plus the websites of the area clubs (Defuniak, Navarre, Milton and



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Pensacola), the ARRL and the Bay Beacon. The latter two yielded the most applicants.

- 2. The exam on August 10 had 14 applicants, 12 of which were from the class. Nine of the 14 got the Technician licenses, one got the General upgrade, and one person went from zero to Extra. The Ves were KA5DLV, KM4OZK, KL7LS, AJ4XK, KJ4RWD, KK4WDQ and W4BZM.
  - 3. Committee assisted another person in Baker to get licensed by using the PARC ARRL test in July.
  - 4. Internal discussion on whether to have a class or not with very little “down time” due to Covid and starting late with the first one. We try to finish before the week of Thanksgiving. Decision to be made within a couple of weeks.
- ◆ Station Committee – Bob N4CU
    - Station is open. Will be manned by Bob Hurley (KN4UDT).
  - ◆ Webmaster – Robert Dallons (KM4VKY)
    - Renewed our URL for 2 years.
    - Added a new feature. A video tab with 2 videos. One is for Technician and the other is for General. Anyone who wants to develop a video course, get with KM4VKY.
  - ◆ ARES (non-club report) – Steve N4GXX
    - Steve (N4GXX) has resigned from ARES effective 1 August 2020.
    - Neil Light (KJ4VHX) is the presumptive ARES representative.
- Motion to accept all committee reports: 1<sup>st</sup> – N4GXX & 2<sup>nd</sup> – KK4WDQ, Motion Carries.

## Old Business

- ◆ Update from the SHU Foundation: Slide show presented by Steve (N4GXX).
  - Verbal agreement tentatively exists between NOARC and the SHU Foundation to explore the possibilities. Which is being done with the Slide Show.



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- Discussion of goals was done.

## New Business

- ◆ IRS Form 990 is due. Who files it? Treasurer.
- ◆ Training Committee: Mike
  - Whole Technician Class was done on Zoom. (Mike's personal account.) Received \$145 in donations from the class, even though the class was done free.
  - Mike made a motion for 3 General Class manuals be bought. Cost: \$75.00  
2<sup>nd</sup>: KK4WDQ Discussion about charging a nominal fee (ex: \$5.00) from those taking a class. One problem could be the course was done on line and the participants were from out of the area. Motion carries.
  - Mike made a motion for Zoom account. To have NOARC to establish a club account on Zoom for meetings and to hold courses on for 4 months and reevaluate. Cost: \$15.00 A Month with a FL communication fee of \$16:67 a Month. 2<sup>ND</sup>: KA5DLV. Discussion. Motion carries.
- ◆ Elmers are needed for the new licensees. To show folks how to use HTs. If interested contact Bruce.

## President's Remarks (CJ KJ4087 OR Craig KK4WDR)

- Donation for the Church accepted in the donation Pail.
- Remember the Sign In Sheet.
- Adjourn for Burger King on South Ferdon.