

**AMATEUR RADIO COUNCIL OF ARIZONA
(ARCA)
MEETING MINUTES
20 OCTOBER 2007
TUCSON, AZ**

PLACE: Old Pueblo Hamfest, Tucson, AZ.

Call to Order:

Chairman Cliff Hauser (KD6XH) called the meeting to order at 11:05 All officers were present except 2nd VP Lee Ilse. An attendance sheet was circulated and signed by those present.

Reading of the Minutes

Minutes for the 15 Sep 07 minutes were approved and together with the attendance roster will be posted the ARCA website.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Chris Kesauer (N7PVL) distributed the Treasury Report (19 Oct 07) and Balance Sheet (19 Oct 07). Both reports were approved and accepted.

Past Chairman's Report.

Past Chair John Lanza (KC7IM) stated preparations for legislative action on license plate fees and antenna restrictions are being made. Cliff asked John (KC7IM) to send a written report to the Secretary.

1st Vice Chairman's Report.

Nothing to report.

2nd Vice Chairman's Report.

Lee (KD7OED) not present.

Section Manager's Report. Tom (WB7NXH) briefly discussed the Southwest Division elections and the Spanish Trails District Camporee held at the Cochise Amateur Radio Association site in Sierra Vista. Thirty eight Scouts worked on the Radio Merit Badge at the Camporee. The Introduction to Radio activity was the most popular event.

The Green Valley Amateur Radio Club was hosting Jamboree-on-the-Air at the OP Ham Fest which also included amateur TV to the Explorer Post in Phoenix. Tom also reported ARES supported American Red Cross and Salvation Army in TOPOFF-4.

Frequency Coordination Report. NTR

Southwest Division Convention Report.

NTR

Old Business

Nothing to report.

New Business

The Chair asked Grant (WB6OTS) to comment on recent development in the Army MARS program. Remarks included the positive results of the ARRL/MARS demonstration held 03 Oct 07 at the US Capitol in Washington, D.C.

The Chair reported on his fact finding trip to gather information regarding costs concerning holding the ARCA ARRL State Convention at Ft. Tuthill.

The Chair provided a written report and photos to the Secretary for the record. Based on discussions with Ft. Tuthill management, the cost for having the ARCA State Convention at that location is estimated to be \$6000.

After the Chair's report, a lengthy discussion was held concerning a suggestion to move the State Convention back to Ft. Tuthill. The major problem emerging from the move is the estimated \$6000 costs. ARCA does not have sufficient funds in the Treasury to cover those expenses. Ted (WA8ULG) suggested soliciting the requisite funds from the most senior clubs in ARCA. (Comment - Should we mention how that would be repaid after the hamfest? i.e. Any profits would be divided up between those who helped fund the convention plus a share to ARCA to help fund future events.) Another suggestion would be to obtain funds from commercial vendors. This approach was however not held to be viable or good for ARCA.

Clark Jones (KI7TU) made a motion, which was seconded by Ted (WA8ULG) to have the member clubs vote on the issue of where the ARCA State Convention would be held. The motion included the following options:

1. Return to Ft. Tuthill in 2008.
2. Remain at Williams in 2008, but move to Ft. Tuthill in 2009
3. Stay at Williams.

The ballot will be sent to all ARCA member clubs and must be signed by the president or the official club ARCA delegate-of-record as of 07 Oct 07. Ballots may be returned by mail to the ARCA post office box or brought to the December 01 ARCA meeting. A simple majority will be required to select one of the three options.

The motion carried with 1 no vote.

Motion to Adjourn

Motion to adjourn was 2nd and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Grant Hays WB6OTS
Recording Secretary

In Attendance:

Grant Hays, WB6OTS	ARCA Secretary
Robert Hollister, N7INK	CARA Delegate
John Lanza, KC7IM	ARCA Past Chairperson
Ted Hartson, WA8ULG	VVARA Delegate
Chris Kesauer, N7PVL	ARCA Treasurer
Rick Paquette	Catalina RC Visitor
Doug Collins, KE6JUK	ARCA 1 st Vice-Chairperson
Bob O'Connell	RST Visitor
Tom Fagan, WB7NXH	Catalina RC Alt / OPRC Visitor
Jim Fagan, KE7IDC	TRA Delegate
Clark Jones, KI7TU	ARA Delegate
David A Mason	TRA/OPRC Visitor
Troy Hall	??
Larry Brown, W7LB	Catalina RC Delegate
Clifford E Hauser, KD6XH	ARCA Chairperson