

Amateur Radio Council of Arizona

Thunderbird Hamfest
Minutes of Meeting
14 January, 2017

11:25am: Meeting was called to order by 1st Vice Chairperson, Bob Howard, W8RH, in the absence of the Chairperson.

Introductions of attendees was held. A sign-in list was circulated and attached.

Secretary's Report, Melinda Wilson, KC7FWR:

Draft Minutes of 03 December, 2016 meeting were reviewed. No corrections requested.

Motion of Lee, KD7OED, seconded by Bob, W8RH.

All approved: none opposed.

Treasurer's Report, Chris Kesauer, N7PVL:

Hard copy of report was distributed and read by Treasurer. Motion to approve report by Clark, KI7TU, and seconded by Dave, N7ZPY.

All approved; none opposed.

Chairman's Report, Tammy Smith, KD7MIB: Not present.

First Vice-Chairperson's Report, Bob Howard, W8RH: Nothing to report. The ballot of ARRL Section Manager should have been received. Please vote.

Second Vice-Chairperson's Report, Lee Ilse, KD7OED: Nothing to report.

Past-Chair report, Jeff Hanna, WB7RFY: Nothing to report.

Frequency Coordination Report, Lance Halle KW7LH: Lance reported that things are stable right now. We are not submitting to the ARRL directory. ARCA is printing and selling directories for \$2.00 each. We can keep this list more current.

Section Managers Report, Robert Spencer, KE8DM: Robert reported that the tower bill was stifled by a Florida legislature. Bill will be reintroduced in the 2017 U.S. legislature. There is an effort in Arizona to have an AZ senator sponsor the tower bill. They will be dropping the paragraph concerning national association HOA part.

Robert further reported that he is not continuing as section manager and to vote. If you don't vote, you cannot complain.

There was an extensive amount of new hams in AZ in late 2016. ARRL appreciates clubs for pushing for new, young hams. The ARES satellite is scheduled to talk to school kids in Quartzsite next week.

SW ARRL Division – Marty is not running again. Discussion about the SW division manager election. You can still file petition today if you have signatures.

Old Business:

- Location/Host for 2017 AZ State Convention: There has been no volunteers. There will be no state convention this year if no volunteers.
- Review of Superstition Hamfest: no one present to present report.
- Williams Summer Hamfest Discussion: ARCA is not prepared to run it. The recommended change to by-laws went out to clubs. This is scheduled to be vote on at the Scottsdale Hamfest in March.
- The President of Kachina is looking to move the ShowLow hamfest to the Williams hamfest dates (third or fourth weekend in July). They are also looking to move venue. They are not interested in state convention.
- Renewal Time for Clubs: Representatives were asked to pass on the clubs to renew ARCA memberships and to get information updated. If they haven't renewed by January 31st, the club will be dropped.

New Business:

- Virgil, K7VZ, reported that Senator Nancy Barto is to sponsor the license plate bill. They have until February 10th to get the bill submitted. Money for plates previously went back to general fund. New legislation would add subsection C for funds to go to ARCA. Approximately \$17 of each plate will go to a ham fund that will end up coming to ARCA and will be distributed by ARCA.

35 states have passed PRB1. Virgil reported that they are working on getting it recognized in AZ at the state level with SB123. Will need to start a letter writing and phone call campaign, and expect this in late February early March. Need people on call for if HOA gets tower bill assigned to committee it doesn't belong in.

- Gary, K7GH, reported that the DeVry Hamfest will be April 15th.
- Kachina Hamfest will not be June 3rd. Date TBD.
- The WVARC Auction will be on February 6th.

Call for any additional business before the Council went unanswered in room.

Upcoming Events:

Scottsdale Springfest, March 18, 2017 Scottsdale – ARCA Meeting 11:00 AM
Radio Society of Tucson Hamfest, March 25, 2017, Tucson
AARC Hamfest April 15, 2017, DeVry, Phoenix
Cochise ARA Hamfest, May 05, Sierra Vista;
White Mountain Hamfest, TBD, Show Low;

12:00 PM Meet adjourned. Next Meeting is Saturday, 18 March, 2017, 11:00 AM at Scottsdale Springfest.

Respectfully Submitted by KC7FWR

Meeting Attendees 14 January 2017

Name	Callsign	Club	Pres.	Del.	Alt.	Visitor
Luvina Wells	KC7LEW	EAARS				x
Dave Wells	N7AM	EAARS	x			
Virgil Silhanek	K7VZ	ARA	x			
William Kouchis	N9EIV	Scottsdale				x
Clark Jones	KI7TU	ARA		x		
Robert Spencer	KE8DM	ARRL Rep.				
Rick Paquette	W7RAP	ARRL				x
John Bigley	N7UR	ARRL/Kachina				x
Peter Petrotta	KD7OIW	W7ATN/ ATV Phx				x
Jerry Wyatt	N7QVU	Kachina			x	
Gary Hamman	K7GH	AARL	x	x		
Bob Howard	W8RH	ARCA First Chairperson				
Lee Ilse	KD7OED	ARCA Second Chairperson				
Chris Kesauer	N7PVL	ARCA Treasurer				
Jeff Hanna	WB7RFY	ARCA Past Chairperson				
Lance Halle	KW7LH	Frequency Coordinator				
Melinda Wilson	KC7FWR	ARCA Secretary				