

AMATEUR RADIO COUNCIL OF ARIZONA

MEETING MINUTES

12 June 2021, GoToMeeting

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by ARCA Chair Steve Miller, W6SDM at 11:01 AM MST. The attendance list was collected via GoToMeeting Logins. A total of 30 individuals were in attendance participating via the internet.

Secretary's Report (*Gary Keck, KE7DX*): Minutes of 24 April 2021 GoToMeeting were presented. No changes heard. Motion to accept minutes as is by Dave N7ZPY, second Lee K7OED. Motion approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report (*Chris Kesauer, N7PVL*): The treasury report for period ending 12 June 2021 were presented. The report was shown on screen during the meeting. Report showed closing balances of \$22,336.98 in the Operating Account, \$229.79 in the Paypal Account, \$10,770.50 in the Grant Fund, and \$12,129.96 in the Scholarship Fund. ARCA's Total Equity is \$47,867.23.

Motion to approve Treasurer's Minutes by Dave N7ZPY. Seconded by Walter NJ8G. Question (unidentified originator) regarding IRS 501c3 status. When Total Equity is over \$50k consider Tax Attorney or CPA. No objections to motion. Motion carried.

Chair's Report (*Steve Miller, W6SDM*): Good attendance today. Thanks to all joining in. Looking forward to in-person meetings.

1st Vice Chair Report (*Doug Mitchell, W7ADD*): Absent.

2nd Vice Chair Report (*Charlie Zurenko, N2TFS*): We have inventory. No usage due to covid pandemic.

Past Chair Report (*Bob Howard, W8RH*): Last report as past-chair. Thanks to Jeff WB7RFY for bringing me into ARCA. I've enjoyed my association with ARCA and will continue to support amateur radio and ARCA as president of MARA.

Old Business:

Short Term Items: None.

ByLaws Update: Chris N7PVL reports no comments from members and clubs. Alan AC2K suggested keeping financial updates but take out language regarding office progression/council participation. Lee K7OED indicates proposed by-laws have not been sent out since January, suggests tabling until next meeting. Pink K7ILA requested by-laws be sent out once again for review. Motion to table until next meeting by Lee K7OED. Second by Vicki N6KLS. No objections, motion passed.

Field Day Update: Comments collected from club presidents/delegates/alternates. Pink K7ILA states Hassayampa ARK is participating in field day from two members homes in Wickenburg using Special Event call N7C. Lee K7OED notes Cochise ARA will be operating from Green Acres using callsign K7RDG in 3F category.

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West Valley ARC On-Line Swap Report: no one available for comment.

New Business

Cochise ARA Hamfest Report: Lee K7OED reports best turnout in years, very successful.

Thunderbird ARC requested sponsorship of their 2022 hamfest, the Board of Directors approved on 4 May.

Yavapai ARC Grant Request: Purchase storage shed to be placed in Pioneer Park. Walter NJ8G commented he would like answers to questions posed in April. Jim N6KZ represented the grant request. YARC has a standing MOA with Yavapai County and the Sheriff's Jeep Posse. It was straightforward to receive authorization with the Yavapai County Sheriff's Dept and the Yavapai County Board of Supervisors, and that has been completed. Walter NJ8G requests a copy of the documentation. Vicki N6KLS asked about YARC financials. Jim N6KZ understands that acceptance of the grant means ARCA has a vested interest in the property. Chris N7PVL notes grant amount in question. Chair Steve W6SDM brought Grant request for \$1500 up for a vote. Opposed: Lee K7OED, Vicki N6KLS, Dave N7ZPY, Gary AE7GP, Walt NJ8G. All others in favor, motion is approved.

Generic Grant Discussion: Question (Tom, NE7X), is there any stipulation regarding a club having a certain percentage of members actually having amateur license latest be eligible for a grant? Answer: No, but clubs should advocate for participation in the Amateur Radio License Plate program (Steve W6SDM). Question (Tom NE7X): does a club need to be in ARCA to be eligible for a grant? Answer: Yes, for a minimum of two years (Steve W6SDM).

Grant Request – NW Christian ARC to promote learning of digital modes for portable and base stations. ARCA is unable to accept a grant request, however will consider a donation as it fills ARCA's mission. Brett W7OKS represents the club. Questions were entertained and answered. Motion to donate \$500 to NW Christian ARC made by Charlie N2TFS, Bob W8RH seconds. No opposition to motion, motion passes.

Award Presentations:

2021 Ham of the Year: Charlie Zurenko, N2TFS
(nominees William Clark K6WSC, RST, Robert Thompson KC8BLV, VVARA, Thomas Yarbrough KE0ABP, CARA, and Charles Zurenko N2TFS, AARC)

2021 Young Ham of the Year: Tanner Irwin, KJ7JIL
(sole nominee)

2021 Scholarship: Skylar Simko, K7SMS, \$3000
(sole applicant, ARA)

Motion by Chris N7PVL, second Pink K7ILA to increase scholarship amount for 2021 from \$2500 to \$3000. No Opposition from BoD. Motion approved.

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Election of Officers

Slate as presented by past-chair Bob W8RH

Chair	Lee Ilse, K7OED
1 st Vice-Chair	Charlie Zurenko, N2TFS
2 nd Vice-Chair	Gary Hamman, K7GH
Secretary	Charles Kotan, K0TAN
Treasurer	Chris Kesauer, N7PVL
Past-Chair	Steve Miller, W6SDM

Jeff WB7RFY makes a motion to accept the nominations as they stand. Bob W8RH seconds. No opposition. Motion passes. Charles K0TAN sends chat that he cannot be Secretary. Gary KE7DX will carry on as interim-Secretary until such time as a Secretary can be found.

Jim Felkey N7BBS comments that CARL needs regular volunteers to promote science through amateur radio at the Arizona Science Center.

Calendar Review

List is as shown below. Consider all hamfest dates subject to cancellation.

Next Meeting: TBD

Adjourn

Motion to adjourn – Chris N7PVL. Second – multiple participants. No objections, motion carried. Adjourned at 12:32 PM MST.

Calendar Review:

September 25, 2021 – RST Tucson Fall Hamfest – Tucson
October 2, 2021 – Tonto ARA Swapfest – Payson
October 9-10, 2021 – Arizona QSO Party -- WorldWide
October 16, 2021 – Kachina ARC Tailgate – Show Low
October 30, 2021 – Copafest – Maricopa
November 6, 2021 – HARKfest – Congress
November 13, 2021 – Oro Valley ARC Tucson Hamfest – Marana
December 4, 2021 – Superstition Superfest – time/place TBD
January 15, 2022 – Thunderbird ARC Hamfest – Glendale
February 18-19, 2022 – Yuma Hamfest -- Yuma

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Summary

Total Attendees (includes organizers) 30

Details

Attendee Name	Club	Delegate/Alternate/Visitor
Christine Kesauer N7PVL	ARCA	
Steve Miller W6SDM	ARCA	
Bob W8RH	Maricopa ARA	President
Thomas Boza NE7X	CADXA	Delegate
Don Sears N7PLL	VVARA	President/Delegate
Lee Ilse K7OED	Cochise ARA	Delegate
Vicki Zumwalt N6KLS	NADRS	Delegate
Jeff Hanna WB7RFY	Yavapai ARC	Delegate
Joann Schultheiss KF7WOT	Yavapai County ARES/RACES	Alternate
Mike Reed AA0MR	CHRC	Delegate
Charles Kotan KØTAN	LBARA	Delegate
Clayton Jacobs, KJ6QJS	ANSR	President/Delegate
Walter Reinert NJ8G	TBARC	Delegate
Gary Pierce AE7GP	OVARC	Delegate
Alan Komenski AC2K	RST	Delegate
John Snedder KT7P	YARC	President
Brett Irwin W7OKS	NCARC	Delegate
Gary Hamman K7GH	AARC	Delegate
Lori Cripps WA7EDI	MMRG	Delegate
Douglas Besemer K0VPL	AzRCCC	Alternate
Gary Lenzi W7MIN	EAARS	Delegate
Jim Zimmerman N6KZ	YARC	Visitor
Reinhard Geissler K7RGG	CADXA	Alternate
Charlie Zurenko N2TFS	ARCA	
Gary Keck KE7DX	ARCA	
Tony Bogusz W9MT	CRC	Delegate
Pink Foster K7ILA	HARK	President
Jim Felkey N7BBS	CARL	VP/Delegate
Dave Hall N7ZPY	MARCA	Delegate
Bryan Hubbard KF7DPC	Superstition ARC	Delegate