



February 19, 2022 MEETING MINUTES Yuma Hamfest – Yuma, Arizona

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by ARCA Chair Lee Ilse, K7OED at 11:00 AM AZ time. The meeting was held as a hybrid meeting with both in-person and on-line attendees. Those in attendance introduced themselves and Lee introduced those who were attending on-line.

Chairperson's Report: (Lee Ilse, K7OED) Lee announced that we have not received this year's license plate fund distribution as yet. Therefore, we will not vote on any grant requests this month. The Center for Amateur Radio Learning (CARL) has submitted a grant request. Jim Felkey, N7BBS introduced the request. All documentation needed was not submitted with the request but has since been received. No other grants are pending at this time. He mentioned that the way the grant funds are structured, the funds are geared toward equipment purchase. There are a variety of other activities that ARCA would be willing to sponsor that do not fall under the grant guidelines. We are working on a specific set of sponsorship guidelines for providing funding for these activities.

Several clubs have still not renewed their membership with ARCA. A reminder to be eligible for grants, clubs must be current with membership for 2 years. We have also not received any Ham of the Year or Young Ham of the Year nominations. No Scholarship applications have been received either. These are due to ARCA by May 1, 2022. Forms and info are available through the ARCA website. You can submit these by email. They do not need to be mailed USPS.

Discussion on the proposed Forest Service fees will be deferred to the meeting being led by Rick Paquette, W7RAP later today.

1st Vice-Chair's Report: (Charlie Zurenko, N2TFS) Charlie reported that there are several hamfests coming up. He asked that clubs please give us notice if you are planning to have a hamfest and make a request for sponsorship. Also, please use the ARCA logo on your website to help get the word out about ARCA. Charlie also reminded everyone to please get a ham radio license plate if you don't already have one. Funds from these plates help to fund Amateur Radio activities in the state.

Secretary's Report: (Ray Vasquez, K4RMV): Ray asked if everyone received a copy of the minutes and if there were any additions or corrections. Motion was made by Dave Hall, N7ZPY to approve the minutes, Thomas Boza, NE7X seconded. Motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report: (Christine Kesauer, N7PVL) Christine read the treasurer's report as copies were not available. The checking account shows a balance of \$23,006.46, and \$630.65 in the PayPal Account. The Grant Fund has a balance of \$8,771.16 and the Scholarship Fund has a balance of \$9,130.70. There are no outstanding liabilities at this time. ARCA's total Equity is currently

\$43,138.97. Motion was made by Dave Hall, N7ZPY to approve the treasury report as presented, second by Tom Cloonan, ML7FQ. Motion carried.

Christine also noted that two checks from last year's checks for the club share of the license plate funds have not been cashed. They are to the Scottsdale ARC and the Thunderbird ARC. These checks are now cancelled and cannot be cashed. Clubs need to cash the plate fund share checks when they get them.

Past Chair's Report: (Steve Miller, W6SDM) Steve was not in attendance. Steve had some COVID issues but is now doing much better.

Hamfest Reports: Thunderbird Hamfest – Brian reported the event was not as big as 2 years ago. 84 spaces were sold. Attendance was down by about 25%. The food truck was advised that they need to have coffee. Lee mentioned that there needs to be coffee at all hamfests.

Quartzfest was held in January and there is a new club in Quartzsite.

Frequency Coordination Report: (Dave Hall, N7ZPY) Dave reported that the backlog of applications seems to be caught up. Any outstanding applications should have an email sent to the coordinators. A Repeater Owners meeting will be held in April. Brian McCarthy, AF7K reported UHF coordinations that have not been contacted since many years ago will be sent an email. If email is not answered, a paper mail letter will be sent. If you don't answer that, you will get certified letters of de-coordination. The Coordinators need to be able to contact you.

Old Business:

Club Renewals: Renewals need to be current. If you are not current, you will no longer be eligible for grants. Please do renewals on-line.

Ham of the Year/Young Ham of the Year/Scholarships: All are due by May 1, 2022. Instructions and forms are on the website.

Draft ARCA 2022 Budget: The board is still in the process of formulating a draft budget for 2022. It is planned to be presented at the April meeting.

New Business:

Rick Paquette, W7RAP reported that the Amateur Radio Digital council (ARDC) is interested in how we do our scholarships and would like to fund the scholarship. Thomas Boza, NE7X asked how ARCA advertises that there is money available. Answer is, information is posted on the ARCA website and clubs should be advertising to their memberships as well.

Rick also stated that Navajo County wants to recreate an EOC for the county in Pinetop. Kevin Parmenter, KG5Q, president of the Kachina ARC and the county emergency coordinator had a meeting to recreate the EOC and they want to apply for a grant.

Calendar Review:

Mar 19	SARC	Scottsdale Hamfest	Scottsdale
Mar 26	RST	Tucson Vernal Equinox Hamfest	Tucson
*Apr 16	AARC/ARCCC	April Hamfest at DeVry	Phoenix
May 7	CARA	Larry Warren Cochise Hamfest	Sierra Vista
May 14	YARC	Prescott Hamfest	Prescott Valley
* Jul (TBD)	ARCA	Annual Meeting	Location TBD
*Sept 24	RST	Tucson Fall Hamfest	Tucson

(* = meeting dates)

Call to the Public: Charlie Zurenko, N2TFS stated in regards to the Prescott Hamfest in May, there is no overnight parking there. If you are planning to go, you'll need to find another place to park. Also, the West Valley Amateur Radio Club auction is next week. Information is available at the ARCA table.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Amateur Radio Council of Arizona will be held at 11:00 AM on April 16, 2022 at the April Hamfest at DeVry.

Adjourn: Motion to adjourn made by Dave Hall, N7ZPY and seconded by Jeff Heinze, N7CCW. Meeting adjourned.

Ray Vasquez/K4RMV
ARCA Secretary

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Attendance Report for 2/19/2022 Meeting

Name	Call Sign	Club	President	Delegate	Alternate	Visitor
Lee Ilse	K7OED	ARCA Chair				
Charlie Zurenko	N2TFS	ARCA 1st VC				
Gary Hamman	K7GH	ARCA 2nd VC				
*Ray Vasquez	K4RMV	ARCA Secretary				
*Christine Kesauer	N7PVL	ARCA Treasurer				
Al Keenan	KD7KD	CARA		X		
Jeff Heinze	N7CCW	Superstition				X
Tom Cloonan	KL7FY	YCARES		X		
Kathleen Kuck	KK7CZ	DARC				X
Jim Kuck	N7EOW	DARC		X		
Don Sears	N7PLL	VVARA	X	X		
Dave Hall	N7ZPY	MARCA		X		
Rick Paquette	W7RAP	ARRL				X
John Marshall	WA7BSR	ARRL				X
Reinhard Geissler	K7RGG	AARC			X	
Tom Boza	NE7X	CARL			X	
Lori Cripps	WA7EDI	MMRG		X		
Ray Yuill	K1EOW	DARC				X
Brenda Yuill	W1RFG	DARC				X
*Angie Buchanan	N7EMB	AzSunBums		X		
*Jim Felkey	N7BBS	CARL		X		
*T.D. Kennard	N7ISR	ARA		X		
*Debbi Smith	KJ7MIQ	CHRC		X		
*Phil Brunner	AE7OH	CARC		X		
*Gary Lenzi	W7MIN	EAARS		X		
*Bud Semon	N7CW	YCARES	X			
*Walt Reinert	NJ8G	TBARC		X		
*Richard Jones	W0PZD	SADXA		X		
*Bob Hollister	N7INK	CARA			X	
*Ken Gourley	KG6T	UA ARC (K7UAZ)	X	X		
*Charlie Kotan	K0TAN	LBARA		X		
*Tony Bogusz	W9MT	CRC		X		
*Jeff Hanna	WB7RFY	YARC		X		

* Denotes attended on-line