



ARCA Meeting Minutes Radio Society of Tucson October 7, 2023

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by ARCA Chair Charlie Zurenko, N2TFS at 11:00 AM. A sign-in list was circulated for in-person attendees. A total of 42 individuals were in attendance (19 in person and 23 on-line via Zoom).

Chair's Report, Charlie Zurenko/N2TFS: Charlie thanked Radio Society of Tucson for putting on a great hamfest and thanked the Calvary Church for making the room available for the ARCA meeting. He also noted that this is the first meeting of our "new" ARCA board with the incumbents being re-elected to new terms since nobody else volunteered to serve. The officers for the 2023-2024 year are:

Chair: Charlie Zurenko/N2TFS

First Vice-Chair: Ray Vasquez/K4RMV

Second Vice-Chair: Tom Cloonan/NL7FQ

Secretary: Lee Ilse/K7OED

Treasurer: Chris Kesauer/N7PVL (Position Appointed by the Board)

Charlie also noted we have a number of additional hamfests coming up during the rest of the year, but was sad to again report that the COPAFEST event has been canceled and at this point it also appears that there will not be a Yuma hamfest in 2024. The good news is that the Green Valley club is now in the planning stages to hold an event on the 24th of February 2024. He also reminded online participants to enter their name, call, the club they represent and their position when logged in to Zoom.

First Vice-Chair's Report, Ray Vasquez/K4RMV: Ray echoed Charlie's comments and noted that he also received a gift of a power supply today so it was a good hamfest.

Second Vice-Chair's Report, Tom Cloonan/NL7FQ: Tom had nothing significant to report.

Secretary's Report, Lee Ilse/K7OED: Lee stated that the draft minutes from the Flagstaff annual meeting had been emailed to all for review and noted one minor admin correction (corrected EARRS to EAARS in the attendance roster). No further additions or corrections were offered by the members. Motion by Rick/K7RCR seconded by Mark/KI7RB to approve the minutes as amended. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report, Chris Kesauer, N7PVL: Chris presented the ARCA financial report as of October 2, 2023. Our balances were: Checking account \$23,954.01, PayPal account \$1,590.47, Grant Fund \$13,652.33, and Scholarship Fund at \$4,200.95. Our equipment is valued at \$1,578.94 with no current debts for a total equity of \$45,925.03. Our annual report from September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023 showed a total income of \$34,752.26 and disbursements of \$32,275.56 for a net gain of \$2,376.70. Chris also noted that there are still 5 clubs who have not cashed their annual grant checks and requested that the Kachina, Maricopa, Scottsdale, Thunderbird and Yuma amateur radio clubs check with their treasurers to see what the delay is.

Motion by Lee/K7OED seconded by Doug/KC7LIN to accept the report as presented. There was no further discussion and the motion passed unanimously.

Past Chair's report, Steve Miller/W6SDM: Steve was unable to attend so no report was given.

Frequency Coordinator's Report: Lance/KW7LH was unable to attend so no report was given.

Old Business:

Flagstaff Hamfest: Bob/NF7E reported that the summer hamfest in Flagstaff was a successful event and the NADXA club is now in the planning stages to host another hamfest in July 2024. Charlie/N2TFS observed that it was a very nice event and thanked them for taking the initiative to host the first Flagstaff hamfest in nearly 20 years and hosting the 2023 ARCA annual meeting.

Show Low Tailgate: Rick/W7RAP reported attendance was rather low because unfortunately there was a simultaneous equestrian event in Show Low that day. In spite of the smaller crowd, they did get 3 new technicians licensed. The mayor of Show Low is now a ham and supports the club's plan to have a more vigorous hamfest next year where they expect to have the Shriner's Hall available for use. This is a 3-acre site so there will be plenty of room for RV parking.

ARCA Golf Cart/Trailer Update: Charlie/N2TFS reported that the ARCA golf cart and trailer are both fully functional, but they haven't done much additional work on the trailer over the summer because it was too hot outside and there were not requests to use the trailer.

Audio/Visual System: Charlie/N2TFS thanked Mike Childers/K7URK for putting together the road case of ARCA A/V equipment. Today's Zoom meeting is the second use of this gear and by all reports it appears to be working splendidly. We are still working on some documentation and training for other folks to use if required.

CRC Grant Request: Charlie noted that the CRC club had previously submitted a \$1,875.18 grant request to replace an old Motorola repeater that is located at the Raytheon plant near Tucson International Airport. Motion by Lee/K7OED to approve the grant request seconded by Mark/KI7RB. There was no discussion and the motion passed on a voice vote.

Proposed Changes to ARCA Constitution and Bylaws: Charlie/N2TFS noted that we had discussion about the proposed changes to the constitution and bylaws at the last meeting, and that copies of the

proposed changes had been sent to all clubs for review. Motion from Ray/K7RMV seconded by Doug/KC7LIN to approve the changes to the constitution and bylaws. Lee/K7OED noted that the change to the constitution was a straightforward change to comply with IRS and Arizona statutes. There was no discussion and the change to the constitution was approved on a voice vote with none opposed. Lee/K7OED then noted that the only area of some concern in the proposed bylaws change was that the language stating that clubs who do not review in a timely fashion would lose some of their membership privileges, and that this language was added to reinforce the incentive for clubs to renew on time. Patrick/KI4NSF noted that the ARCA board felt that resetting the clock on ARCA affiliation because of failure to renew was excessive. David/K7ACE noted that there may be times when turnover of club officers inadvertently causes clubs to failure to renew on time, and that this may be particularly hard on the clubs who need the grants the most. Charlie/N2TFS observed that ARCA sends out reminders to renew on a monthly basis from October through December, and that these emails go to club Presidents, ARCA delegates and ARCA alternates so it is important that clubs keep ARCA advised if there are membership changes. A roll call vote was conducted of each ARCA club and the proposed changes to the bylaws were approved with a total of 24 votes in favor and 2 votes opposed. Charlie/N2TFS then thanked all those delegates who took the time to review the proposed changes with their clubs and vote on the motion today.

New Business: Chris/N7PVL announced that the ARCA logo has been updated to a high-res graphic and also shared her computer screen for all to see it. The old logo was not high enough resolution that would allow it to be printed on the new table drapes that were purchased in preparation for the annual meeting and were also on display at the ARCA table at today's hamfest. Charlie/N2TFS reminded folks to place the ARCA logo on their flyers when they have an ARCA-sponsored hamfest – sponsorship also includes ARCA advertising, insurance when required, and use of ARCA equipment. Patrick/KI4NSF requested that the logos be posted on the drop-box so that clubs will have access to them and Chris/said they will be posted there because the file might be too large to share via email.

Other Business as Raised by Members: None raised in the room or online.

Upcoming Hamfest Calendar Review: (Bolded* Entries Indicate ARCA Meetings)

1. November 4: HARKfest (Wickenburg)
2. November 11: Oro Valley Hamfest (Tucson)
3. **December 2: Superstition Hamfest (Mesa)***
4. January 13: Thunderbird Hamfest and Electronics Swap Meet (Glendale)
5. January 21-27: Quartzfest (Quartzite)
6. February 24: Green Valley Tailgate and Swap Meet
7. March 16: Scottsdale Hamfest
8. **March 30 (T): DeVry Hamfest and Electronics Swap Meet***

Date and Time of Next Meeting: December 2, 2023, 11:00 AM Superstition Hamfest

Motion to adjourn by Doug/KC7LIN seconded by Charles/W7VF. All in favor. None opposed.

11:47 PM Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted:

Lee/K7OED
ARCA Secretary

ARCA Meeting

Attendance Report

October 7, 2023

In Person Attendees

| Attendee Name | Call Sign | Club | Del - Alt - Officer - Visitor |
|--------------------|-----------|--------------|-------------------------------|
| Charlie Zurenko | N2TFS | ARCA | ARCA Chair |
| Ray Vasquez | K4RMV | ARCA | ARCA 1st Vice-Chair |
| Lee Ilse | K7OED | ARCA | ARCA Secretary |
| Doug Shough | KC7LIN | CARA | Delegate |
| Mark Steele | KI7RB | K7ARC | Delegate |
| Patrick Baldwin | KI4NSP | ARA | Delegate |
| Avery Davis | WB4RTP | CRC | Delegate |
| Richard Rogers | K7RCR | Green Valley | Delegate |
| David Bjorgaard | K7ACE | RST | Delegate |
| Gary Pierce | AE7GP | OVARC | Delegate |
| Dick Jones | W0PZD | SADXA | Delegate |
| Chris Buchanan | N7JND | EAARS | Alternate |
| Dave Kaczorowski | K7DMK | SARBA | Alternate |
| Jeff Seligman | K2VNT | CRC | President |
| Rick Paquette | W7RAP | ARRL | Visitor |
| Dick Pache | K2LCT | Sunlife | Visitor |
| Mike Childers | K7URK | MARCA | Visitor |
| Randy Burcham | KD7KEQ | CRC | Visitor |
| Rheinhard Geissler | K7RGG | CADXA | Visitor |

Online Attendees

| Attendee Name | Call Sign | Club | Del - Alt - Officer - Visitor |
|-------------------|-----------|-------|-------------------------------|
| Christine Kesauer | N7PVL | ARCA | ARCA Treasurer |
| Tom Cloonan | NL7FQ | ARCA | ARCA 2nd Vice Chair |
| Charlie Kotan | K0TAN | LBARA | Delegate |
| Gary Hamman | K7GH | AARC | Delegate |
| Gary Lenzi | W7MIN | EARRS | Delegate |
| Thomas Boza | NE7X | CADXA | Delegate |
| Jeff Hanna | WB7RFY | YARC | Delegate |

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| Charles Whitlatch | W7VF | AMO | Delegate |
| Paul Jameson | WB7N | SMARC | Delegate |
| Jerry Quenneville | K1GLQ | CARL | Delegate |
| George Cameron | N7GRC | HARK | Delegate |
| Clayton Jacobs | KJ6QJS | ANSR | Delegate |
| Angie Buchanan | N7EMB | AZ Sun Bums | Delegate |
| Rick Aldom | W7STS | SARC | Delegate |
| Don Sears | N7PLL | VVARA | Delegate |
| John Gesell | KB7JJG | YCRACES | Delegate |
| Lori Cripps | W7EDI | MMRG | Delegate |
| Norm Johnson | AA7OO | MARCA | Alternate |
| Pat Marcy | W7PZ | LBARA | Alternate |
| Joe Bakas | KE7WHE | ARA | Alternate |
| Woody Phillips | KJ7YYI | GCRACES | Alternate |
| Bob Wertz | NF7E | NADXA | Visitor |
| Patrick Wong | AK6C | CRC | Visitor |

19 In-Person

23 On-Line

42 Total