Meeting Minutes

for the

Amateur Radio Council of Arizona (ARCA)

Held March 11th, 2006 at the Scottsdale Spring Fest Scottsdale Community College Scottsdale, Arizona

Meeting Called to Order

The Meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by Chairman John Lanza (KC7IM) All board members were present with the exception of 2nd Vice Chairman Mark Pagel (K7MAP) An attendance sheet was circulated and filled out by all attendees. At the request of the Chairman, all attendees introduced themselves in order.

Reading of the Minutes

A copy of the minutes from the Dec 30th meeting was handed out at the beginning of the meeting to all attendees. Copies of the minutes are available on the ARCA website at <u>www.arca-az.org</u> A <u>Motion</u> was made by Lee (KD7OED) to forgo the reading of the minutes and to accept them as written. <u>Second</u> by Harry (KC7FKW) <u>Motion Carried</u>

Treasurer's Report

A financial report was given by Treasurer Chris Kesauer (N7PVL) A copy of the latest balance sheet was given to all in attendance along with a detailed report of ARCA's assets and liabilities. A <u>Motion</u> was made by Lee (KD7OED) to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. <u>Second</u> by Harry (KC7FKW) <u>Motion Carried</u>

OFFICERS REPORTS

Chairman's Report

Chairman John Lanza reported that there was no further progress on the Amateur Radio license plates. The matter now awaits a ruling by the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals. Although Amateur Radio is arguably non political, the Ham Plates were lumped in with Right to Life and other politically focused groups with controversial or politically incorrect view points.

John also reminded all present that ARCA dues are now due and payable and asked those in attendance to remind their member clubs.

1st Vice Chairman's Report

1st Vice Chair Mark Kesauer reported on the work being done at the Williams Rodeo Grounds. Mark brought in pictures of the new cover over the arena and the gravel work in both lots including the RV sites in the back lot. These same pictures are also available for review at ARCA's website. Mark has also been working on getting major manufacturers to attend the Williams Hamfest.

ARRL Section Managers Report

Arizona Section Manager Tom Fagan (WB7NXH) reported on a conversation he had with Arizona State Representative Ted Downing (W7KEY). Ted is an enthusiastic supporter of amateur radio and suggested to Tom that representatives from ARCA visit him at the State Capitol for the purpose of promoting ARCA and reminding law makers of the vital services provided by hams in times of natural disasters and civil emergencies.

Frequency Coordination Report

A Frequency Coordination Report was not available. For general information, or to contact the Coordination Committee, log on to their website at <u>www.azfreqcoord.org</u>

OLD BUSINESS

Members were reminded of the impending deadline to submit candidates for consideration of two **ARCA Scholarships.** The application and criteria can be obtained from the ARCA website

A general discussion was held on the **Young Ham of the Year** proposed at our December meeting. It was decided that candidates had to be a member of an ARCA affiliated club and the winner did not have to be present at the July ARCA meeting in Williams.

A <u>Motion</u> was made by Tom Fagan (WB7NXH) to implement the above proposal. <u>Second</u> by Harry Troutman (KC7FKW) <u>Motion Carried</u>

The H.U.V. (Hamfest Utility Vehicle) was on hand for inspection. It is a gasoline powered golf cart that can
be used not only to shuttle folks around but to help in the process of marking the spaces for the tailgaters and
RV'rs. This cart is also available for use by member clubs at any ARCA sponsored event.A <u>Motion</u> was made by Fred Montalvo (AA7FF) to purchase the Golf Cart.Second by Lee Ilse (KD70ED)<u>Motion Carried</u>

NEW BUSINESS

A <u>Motion</u> was made by Fred Troutman (AA7FF) to sponsor the Kingman Fallfest, Sept 9, 2006 <u>Second</u> by Lee Ilse (KD7OED) <u>Motion Carried</u>

A <u>Motion</u> was made by Lee Ilse (KD7OED) to sponsor the Showlow Hamfest, June 3, 2006 <u>Second</u> Fred Troutman (AA7FF) <u>Motion Carried</u>

A <u>Motion</u> was made by Lee Ilse (KD7OED) to sponsor the Sierra Vista Hamfest, To be Announced <u>Second</u> Fred Troutman (AA7FF) <u>Motion Carried</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ARCA mourns the passing of Charlie Ellis (W6PNM). Charlie was an ARRL VE who also volunteered to teach the Technician Classes to the New Ham Hopefuls. He was a coach, a mentor, and was by far the best example of the amateur radio community. We certainly miss his tireless dedication and support he gave to ARCA. Rest in Peace Charlie.

Next ARCA Meeting

CARA Hamfest Sierra Vista, AZ 11:00 AM May 6th

Motion to Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned without motion by Chairman John Lanza at 12:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted

Doug Collins (KE6JUK) ARCA Recording Secretary