AMATEUR RADIO COUNCIL OF ARIZONA (ARCA) ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES July 18, 2009

Location: Williams Summer Hamfest, Williams, AZ

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 3:40 PM by Chairperson Rick Aldom, W7STS. 1st Vice-Chair Lee Ilse (KD7OED) and Past Chair Cliff Hauser (KD6XH) were present. 2nd Vice-Chair Grant Hays (WB6OTS), Secretary Randy Malick (KF0X), and Treasurer Chris Kesauer (N7PVL) were absent. An attendance sheet was circulated and signed by the delegates and visitors who were present.

Reading of the Minutes:

Secretary Randy, KF0X was not present, but copies of the draft minutes from the June 6, 2009 meeting in Show Low were distributed. Two corrections/clarifications to the draft minutes were made, but approval of those corrected minutes was deferred until the next ARCA meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Chris, N7PVL was not present, but the Treasurer's report was given by 1st Vice-Chair KD7OED. Motion by KD6XH and seconded by KE6JUK to approve the Treasurer's Report. *Motion Carried*.

Chair's Report:

Rick, W7STS reported that he was pleased with the turnout of the Williams event given the bad state of the economy. Rick also reported that the amateur radio antenna bill (HB2514) remains stalled in the Arizona Legislature and will almost certainly not pass this year because the only remaining action the legislature is working on is the budget.

Past Chair's Report:

Past Chairperson Cliff, KD6XH said he has the Ham-Of-The-Year Plaque ready for presentation at tonight's ARCA barbecue, and will handle the election of officers at the conclusion of other business during today's membership meeting.

1st Vice Chair's Report:

Lee, KD7OED thanked everyone for their support of the hamfest and reported that it appears the event will at least break even and perhaps make in the vicinity of \$400. Vendor attendance is only down about two spaces from last year, but raffle ticket sales were down significantly. Lee apologized for the confusion on train ride reservations and advised that ARCA will handle those reservations directly next year. If anyone has other suggestions on how to improve the event please provide them to Lee and he will add them to his existing list of items to improve for next year. Although other ideas have

been suggested in the past, at this point ARCA plans to continue the summer hamfest during the third week of July 2010 in Williams.

2nd Vice Chair's Report:

Grant, WB6OTS was not present, so no report was given.

ARRL Section Manager's Report:

Tom Fagan (K7DF) thanked Bob Allison (WB1GCM) and his wife Kathy (KA1RWY) for traveling from ARRL HQ to attend the hamfest and convention. Tom also reminded folks that Governor Brewer had proclaimed June 22-28 as Amateur Radio Week in Arizona in honor of the services that radio amateurs provide to their local communities. Finally, Tom encouraged everyone to participate in Arizona QSO Party that will be held in early October – the first time this event has been held in many, many years.

Frequency Coordination Report:

Repeater Coordinator Chair Lance Halle, KW7LH reported that the Repeater Owners meeting was held this morning with no significant issues being raised. There are a total of 363 coordinated repeaters in the state, and more are being coordinated all the time because of the many new D-STAR repeaters. There are no more 2M pairs available in the Phoenix metro area, although some may be available in outlying areas. Per new FCC guidance, the next repeater directory will include <u>all</u> coordinated repeaters (including those that are closed). A new slate of coordinators was approved at the meeting and will be in contact with repeater owners to update repeater listings soon – the goal is to revalidate all repeater information once every two years.

Old Business:

- 1. During the May meeting it was suggested that ARCA should have an award for the Most Improved Club and Most Growth in a club. There was no further discussion on this topic, so the action remains open.
- 2. During the May meeting the ARCA board took an action to conduct a review of the overall ARCA mission statement, focus and bylaws. No board meeting was held prior to the summer hamfest, so the action remains open.

New Business: None

Elections:

Past Chair Cliff Hauser, KD6XH presented the slate of officers for the upcoming year. It includes no changes from last year with W7STS to remain as chair, KD7OED to remain as 1st Vice-Chair, WB6OTS to remain as 2nd Vice-Chair and Randy KF0X to remain as secretary. Cliff then opened the floor for additional nominations, but none were received. Bob, N7INK moved to close nominations and approve the slate on a single vote. Clark, KI7TU seconded the motion. *Motion Carried*.

Next ARCA Meeting: There is no ARCA-sponsored hamfest scheduled for the months of August or September. The next ARCA meeting will be scheduled at a date and place

to be determined by the ARCA board based on their availability. If no date can be found in August or September where at least two board members can be present, the next meeting will be deferred to 11:00 AM at the Tucson Hamfest on October 17th.

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion to adjourn was made by Clark, KI7TU and seconded by Cliff, KD6XH. *Motion Carried*. The chair adjourned the meeting at 4:18 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Lee Ilse, KD7OED 1st Vice-Chair

In Attendance:

Rick Aldom, W7STS Chair

Lee Ilse, KD7OED 1st Vice-Chair Cliff Hauser, KD6XH Past Chair Darryll Salsburg, K5DAL Visitor

Rick Gurk, KE7EDP Kachina ARC

Lori Gurk, KF7DGU Visitor

Doug Collins, KE6JUK Western Arizona ARC

Lance Halle, KW7LH ARCA Frequency Coordinator
Carl Gardenias, WU6D Visitor (Orange Section Manager)

Kathy Gardenias, K6VC Visitor
Jack Koeckes, KC7DUU YARHO
Bob Hollister, N7INK Cochise ARA

Tom Fagan, K7DF ARRL Section Manager
Jim Fagan KE7IDC Tucson Repeater Association

Gary Keck, KE7DX Visitor

Keith Schlottman, KR7RK Radio Society of Tucson Larry Brown, W7LB Catalina Radio Club

Clark Jones, KI7TU Arizona Repeater Association