# **Amateur Radio Council of Arizona**

Scottsdale Springfest, Scottsdale, AZ Minutes of Meeting 21 March 2015

**Call to Order:** Meeting was called to order at 11:05 by ARCA Chairman Jeff Hanna, WB7RFY followed by introduction of attendees.

**Minutes:** Minutes of the meeting held on 6 December 2014 at the Superstition Hamfest were previously published and copies were available for review by attendees. The item in Frequency Coordinators report should read: *Coordinated repeater owners should send update reports to the coordinators every 2 years. Update info should be sent to <a href="mailto:coordinators@azfreqcoord.org">coordinators@azfreqcoord.org</a> with the band (2m update, 70cm update, etc) in the subject line.* 

Motion: Accept as corrected by Gary Hamman, K7GH

Second: Mike Bales, KC7GTY

**Motion Passed** 

**Treasurers Report**: ARCA Treasurer Chris Kesauer, N7PVL gave a detailed financial report was displayed using a projector visible to attendees, hard copies were also available.

- ARCA has received an anonymous donation \$5000.00
- ARCA to pay cost to upgrade Quicken, Motion Clark Jones, KI7 TU, Second Mike Bales, KC7GTY, passed.
- Audit is not yet completed

Motion: Accept Treasurers Report as presented by David Hall, N7ZPY

Second: Clark Jones, KI7TU

**Motion Passed** 

## Chair's Report: Jeff Hanna, WB7RFY

- Thanks to Scottsdale ARC for hosting the Hamfest and ARCA meeting.
- Reminder, Club History reports have not been received from any affiliated clubs.

#### 1st Vice Chair Report: Randy Malick, KF0X

No report today

### 2nd Vice Chair Report: Lance Halle, LW7LH

We have 31 affiliated clubs currently – working to attract more.

#### Past Chair Report, Lee Ilse, KD70ED

- Reminder Jeff Hana reaches the 3 year max term this year. There will be a vacancy for Chairman. Nominations are solicited
- Dead line for nominations for Scholarships, Young Ham of The Year and Ham of the year is 1 May 2015.

#### Frequency Coordinators Report: Lance Halle KW7LH

- There are 18 additional coordinated repeaters mostly in 70cm band
- Many inquiries have been received especially for newer digital protocols

The digital protocols present a problem as the band width won't fit in narrow band slots

#### ARRL Report, SM Robert J Spencer, KE6DM

- HB 1301 (last year's HB4969) has been introduced. Now is the time for all Hams to send letters to their representative. The letters should be sent to ARRL HQ, not directly to representative's office (Avoid the offsite mail inspection which takes too long). Use the ARRL recommended format available on the website. Post cards do not go to the offsite inspection and are recommended in addition to the letters.
- AZ section Legislative Liaison position has been filled. Announcement to be made soon.
- There has been a 5% growth in new hams in AZ. Clubs are encouraged to contact their local Boy Scout Troops to see if they can help with merit badge counseling and programs.
- All Clubs are asked to send info about upcoming hamfests to Section Manager as early as possible.

The 2016 South West District Convention will be held in Yuma. Details to be announced later.

#### Announcement:

 The Arizona Near Space Research group will have a payload on the NASA HASP high altitude balloon in September. The payload is expected to include a cross band repeater. Jack Crabtree, W7JLC

#### **Old Business:**

- Review Superstition Hamfest at MCC. Event went well approx. \$2500 profit. Sales tax issue rumor cut into number of tailgaters.
- Williams 2015 Planning; Prizes have been selected and some purchased, commercial vendors are still being solicited, still working on hotel discount, web site is up and running and accepting reservations, subjects and speakers for multi-track programs being solicited.
- Oro Valley delegate Gary Pierce suggests that Ft Tuthill location be revisited.
- Review Thunderbird Hamfest. Good weather, good turnout, successful event, same location next year.

#### **New Business:**

- Meeting alternative new option using Echo-link is being investigated.
- Hamfest Sponsorships;
  - Kachina not yet received
  - ARCA DeVry approved
  - Cochise May 2 2015 letter received, motion to approve Clark Jones, KI7TU, Second Jack Crabtree, W7JLC passed.
- New affiliate Maricopa Amateur Radio Association application received; motion to approve Clark Jones, KI7TU, second Lee Ilse, KD7OED, passed. Motion to wave imitation fee by Bill Jordon, KG7NBE second Gary Pierce AE7GP, PASSED. Copa Hamfest application is coming.
- May 1<sup>st</sup> is deadline for HOTY, YHOTY, and scholarships. Age limit for YHOTY is 18.
- An open bed trailer is now used to store and transport the two tents. A small easy to pull enclosed trailer for this purpose is requested. Moved by Jack Lunsford, KD7RCJ solicit donation or purchase such trailer NTE \$2000.00, second Drew Jacks, W7EMU, Passed.
- Report Mohave 2015 AZ State Convention; site will be Mohave County Fair Grounds, Kingman AZ 9 (moved from Centennial Park).

• Discussion on transparency; Motion to publish the ARCS Constitution & Bylaws on the ARCA website by Gary Keck, KE7DX, second Gary Hamman K7GH, passed.

## **Upcoming Events:**

Mar 28 Radio Society of Tucson (RST)
Apr 11 ARCA DeVry Phoenix
May 02 Cochise ARCA Hamfest, Sierra Vista
June 06 Kachina/White Mountain Hamfest
July 24, 25, 26 Williams ARCA Hamfest Annual Meeting
Sept 11, 12 2015 SW Div Convention Torrance, CA.
Oct 17, 2015 Copafest Maricopa

Next ARCA meeting 4:00 PM July 25 Williams.

Motion to Adjourn: Gary Haman, K7GH

**Second:** Roger Buell, W9NCQ

Adjourn 12:34

# Amateur Radio Council Of Arizona (ARCA) Meeting Attendance March 21,2015

Name	Call	Club	Pres	Del	Visitor
Clifford Hauser	KD6XH	TRA	Fies	XX	VISILOI
Dona Mitchell	W7ADD	Superstition ARC	207	XX	
Frank Bender	K8FB	YARC Prescott	XX		
Gary Keck	KE7DX	RST		XX	
Dreux Jacques	W7EMU	Scottsdale ARC		XX	
Lori Cripps	WA7EDI	AARC			XX
Gary Hamman	K7GH	AARC	XX	XX	
Robert Spencer	KE8DM	ARRL SM			XX
Bill Jordon	KG7NBE	TBARC			XX
Gary Pierce	AE7GP	Oro Valley ARC	XX	XX	
Lee Ilse	KD7OED	ARCA Past Chair	XX	XX	
Mike Bales	KC7GTY	CARA		XX	
Jeff Hanna	WB7RFY	ARCA Chair	XX		
Clark Jones	KI7TU	ARA		XX	
John Marshall	WA7BSR	ARRL			
Virgil Silhanek	K7VG	ARA	XX		
Dave Hall	N7ZPY	MARCA		XX	
Lance Halle	KW7LH	ARCA 2ND Vice Chair	XX		
Norm Johnson	AA700	MARCA	XX		
Jack Lunsford	KD7RCJ	ARCA Sec.		XX	
T D Kennard	N7ISR	MARCA			XX
Jack Crabtree	W7JLC	ANSR	XX		
Roger Buell	W9NCQ	TBARC		XX	
Jim Garcia	K0DKY	Superstition ARC			XX
Barb Garcia	KE7FQN	Superstition ARC			XX
Dennis Bietry	KE7EJF				XX
Joe Bakas	KE7WHE	ARA			XX
Gerald Jacques	KE7GYM	Scottsdale ARC		Alt	
Pam Jorgenson	KE7HR	Scottsdale ARC			XX
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