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Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association

March 2020 Board Meeting Minutes

3/9/2020

CTO @ 6:15 PM by N6JRL (Don)

In Attendance:

N6JRL (Don Dubon), K0BUL (Tom Oliphant), W0WJ (Jay Winterton), W5UDM (Dick Kohlhaas), WA0BCM (Jerre Redding), N7LEM (Doug Nielsen), KD0KQL (Jim Bishop), KE0YSE (Lee Grazier), N0ABC (Dennis Major), KE0KZA (Logan Perry), KE0LQK (Anthony Mitchell), KD0SFY (John Bloodgood), WV7T (Mike Anderson), KOJT (Mike McLaughlin), KE0TWK (Michael Walter)

Old Business:

- SK's: None
- Treasurers report by W5UDM, Dick
- ZeroBeat Report by WA0BCM, Jerre
- Webmaster report, N7LEM, Doug
 - Mentioned Hamcon Colorado 2020 held on August 7-9, 2020. See <http://www.hamconcolorado.com> for more information.
- Secretary's Report – KD0VRB, Jay
- PPARES Report by KD0SFY, John
 - SKYWARN training program 4/25
 - Other ARES events coming up
 - Facebook request for digital presentations at the club meetings
- Megafest Follow-up - KD0NQM, Jim – Not present.
- Internet Committee - N7LEM, Doug – No progress or reasonable solution.
- Robin Adair will present on Wednesday
- Thurs. 10 m net – we're all invited to participate, 2 m net – we had 21 participants. We've changed our tech questions so they aren't as difficult.
- QCWA Chapter 58, WV7T, Mike – We only need 2 more members to start the chapter of the QCWA.
- KD0KQL, Jim Motioned that we move money from Amazon Smile to the scholarship fund account. N0ABC 2nd. *Motion carried*
- W5UDM, Dick – Moving scholarship to ARRL. Can be done after the March board meeting. Let's
- Bylaws – N6JRL, Don – All board members take a look at the bylaws and pencil in changes and go over these changes together at the next board meeting.
- WV7T, Mike – Asset labels presented
- FAR Scholarships – Move it to ARRL or another organization instead of FAR. Moved by KOJT, Mike, 2nd by K0BUL, Tom. Need to bring up adding another \$1000 scholarship to the club membership later.
- Bylaw discussion
- KD0SFY, John
 - Sesquicentennial Celebration for the City of Colorado Springs



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- Territory Days – 5/25 – Cost of \$255
- N0ABC, Dennis – W0MCT Doc's callsign to be used as our official call sign. Permission by the family granted. Doug is the trustee for the club station call sign.
- KD0KQL, Jim
 - Mentioned an elderly ham with Parkinson's that needs an elmer. Jim will send out information on him to the board.
 - Earl Watkins is going to school full-time and working full-time. He needs a replacement on the board. WV7T, Mike is volunteering. We can bring it forward to the club at the next meeting.

New Business:

- SK's: None
- N6JRL, Don – Read letter we sent to Juliet Brooks, acknowledging donation of equipment and what was sold.
- Treasurers report by W5UDM, Dick
 - ARRL Scholarship information, \$1,000 each year
 - Name (PPRAA Memorial Scholarship Fund), where it goes to (a ham, college student from Colorado or attending school in Colorado), applicant must pursue studies in STEM at in a 4-year bachelors program.
- N6JRL, Don mentioned that we need to have special board meetings for time sensitive issues. He proposes a special board meeting or even a smaller committee to meet just on the bylaws.
- N0ABC, Dennis – Discussion regarding the bylaws. He suggests a committee of 4. WV7T, N7LEM, N0ABC, W5UDM, KD0KQL all volunteered.
- PPRAA already has a vanity callsign. We cannot have another. AF0S to W0MCT discussion for the club. QCWA could be the group that uses W0MCT.
- ZeroBeat Report by WA0BCM, Jerre
- WV7T, Mike – He made 2 selections of asset tags.
 - We need a board member to step up as the activities coordinator. We don't have anybody for field day yet. We need a single person to take care of all of this. We could also use a myriad of other people to assist with other events (picnic coordinator, Christmas party, etc).
 - Will the club support the QCWA with a banner?
- Webmaster report, N7LEM, Doug
- Secretary's Report – W0WJ, Jay
- PPARES Report by KD0SFY, John
 - SKYWARN training program for ham radio operators, 4/25. Information is forthcoming.
 - Gearing up for future events. Garden of the Gods 10 mile is coming up.
 - Anthony and John got together to discuss getting information out to local elected officials. Also starting to work on declarations. As field day gets closer to us they'll be doing press releases and other PR efforts.
- N6JRL, Don – We should all have something written up and in a binder to hand off. Take some time to outline what we do and who our contacts are.



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- Megafest - KD0NQM, Jim – July 11th Lewis Palmer HS. Setup on Friday at 7:30 PM. Dinner first then set up at gymnasium. List of raffle prizes is available. The budget was \$3300, spent \$2750. Total prize package is about \$3800. More prizes to be added to the pot.
 - He has had contact with a company that prints raffle tickets. Hopefully he'll have the price on the raffle ticket order.
 - N6JRL will be out of town. His wife will be out of town as well.
 - They need lots of help on Friday night to set up. They also need help on Saturday.
 - N7LEM, Doug mentioned that we'll need \$25 for a table at LARCFest. WOWJ, Jay motioned that we pay for this table. 2nd by KD0NQM, Jim. *All in favor.*
- Internet Committee – No update.
- K0BUL, Tom
 - Wednesday we will have Don Frasier from PPFMA. They will give us some history and information on their repeaters, clubs, etc. Ask him questions as you'd like.
 - Thursday evening nets were all held.
 - Door prizes aren't paying for door prizes. K0BUL motioned for an injunction of \$150 be taken out of the treasury and put towards door prizes. 2nd by KD0NQM. *All in favor.*
- WV7T motioned that up to \$300 be spent on QCWA banners. 2nd by KD0KQL. *All in favor.*
- WV7T motioned that up to \$300 be spent on the barcode style asset labels. 2nd by K0BUL. *All in favor.*
- KD0KQL, Jim – Radio gear donated and to be sold to the club and then at Megafest.
 - Lonnie has been a ham for quite a long time. One of his friends put up a mast and a G5RV. It has blown over. Jim, Mike and Lonnie will go out and put it back up for him.
 - More hacked emails from Jim. Don't open them.
- Steve – Suggests ZeroBeat spotlight on a club member.
 - He's willing to help out on field day, but not take charge on setup of antennas. He'd like to do this earlier rather than later. We'll make a plea at the club meeting for help.
- K3ILC, Jim – he found a tax-exempt status barcode for Home Depot.
- Upcoming events – KD0SFY, John
 - World Amateur Radio Day, 4/18

Motion to Adjourn @ 7:54 PM by N6JRL, Don

Second by KD0NQM, Jim

All in Favor.