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Pikes Peak Radio Amateur Association

March 2020 Club Meeting Minutes

3/11/2020

CTO @ 7:00 PM by N6JRL, Don

In attendance: 36

- Pledge of Allegiance – Lead by N6JRL, Don
- SK's: None
- Introductions

Old Business:

- New hams – a new radio was given to one of our newest club members, Phil, who just got his license on Saturday.
- Treasurer's Report: W5UDM, Dick
- Secretary's Report: KD0VRB, Jay
- ZeroBeat Report: WA0BCM, Jerre – Final version of ZeroBeat coming out soon.
- N6JRL, Don – feel free to grab a club card on your way out tonight. Also, we have door prizes that you can purchase raffle tickets for. A youth DX Adventure is planned by N6JRL. He's selling tickets for a radio. He's also selling \$5 DX Adventure pins. All proceeds for the pins and the raffle tickets for the radio go towards the Youth DX Adventure to Curacao. Club pins are \$5. Proceeds from the club pins go to the youth scholarship.
- Webmaster Report: N7LEM, Doug – January minutes are on the website. HAMCON will be in Colorado, Aug 7-9. For more information please see the website:
<http://www.hamconcolorado.com>
- PPARES Report: KD0SFY, John
 - 25th of April – SKYWARN training
 - 20th of June Mountain Top Cycling Club event
 - Ascent Marathon – August
 - Others to follow in later meetings
- KE0TWK, Mike – Business cards to pass out to publicize our club.
- N6JRL, Don
 - Vote was held led by Don to make KE0TWK, Mike as a board member.
 - Vote was held to make KE0YSE, Lee and K0PQ, Botten a board member. KE0YSE, Lee wins. Lee is the new board member.
- Megafest Report: KD0NQM, Jim
 - All prizes have been purchased for this event.
 - Application has been submitted to Lewis Palmer HS for our Megafest. No date has been received yet.
 - We will get the raffle tickets and flyers printed as soon as we know the dates that we can use.
- KD0NQM, Jim – Discussed King Sooper's cards and Amazon Smile to fundraise for the club.



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New Business:

- Welcome to new hams
- QCWA
 - N6JRL, Don presented a certificate to N3TQU, Sandra for her 25th year as a ham.
- N6JRL, Don read a letter that we sent to Juliet Brooks regarding her donation to the club. We sent this so she could have it for tax purposes.
- WV7T, Mike – Kenwood station was also recently donated.
- K0BUL, Don - Jeff Becko donated a HP oscilloscope, Hy-Gain antenna and a server rack cabinet.
- WV7T – QCWA chapter 58 is getting recreated. If licensed 25 years ago and you want to join, you can. Doc's call sign might be able to be assigned as a station to this group/club. They may just have quarterly meetings and will have some Associate Members who are not at 25 years yet. Fee will be \$25 for the members and very small for an Associate Member.
- N6JRL, Don – asking for help on Field Day 2020.
- Board formed a committee for adjustment of the bylaws. After adjustments have been decided on, we'll present these to the general membership and then later they will be voted on by the club membership.
- Treasurer's Report: W5UDM, Dick
 - Scholarship discussion: We used to send our money to FAR for the scholarship program. We are proposing sending money as the PPRAA Memorial Scholarship into the ARRL to a 4-year STEM program. Donation amount will remain at \$1,000. Motion to move forward with this by KD0KQL, Jim. 2nd by K0BUL, Tom.
- Secretary's Report: W0WJ, Jay
- ZeroBeat Report: WA0BCM, Jerre –ZeroBeat sent out.
- Webmaster's Report: N7LEM, Doug – Website is all up to date with Megafest info, HamCon Colorado (Regional ARRL Convention) and board member information. Flyers for Hamcon Colorado are available for pickup at the club meetings.
- N6JRL, Don – Many events may get canceled the near future due to the current Coronavirus Pandemic.
- Christmas Party – We'd like to do the same thing at the same place as last year. I.e. Black Forrest Community Center. We're going to invite some of the other smaller clubs in the area.
- PPARES Report: KD0SFY, John
 - Remember CDPHE – Colorado Division of Public Health and Environment for reliable local information on Coronavirus. President Trump just cancelled travel to Europe for the next 30 days (except the UK).
 - What can we do? Wash with soap and water at least for 20 seconds or use 60% alcohol hand sanitizer. If you have to cough or sneeze do it into a Kleenex, throw it away and then wash your hands. Don't touch your face, eyes, mouth. Keep your distance from sick people. Give doctors and hospitals a heads up if you think you have it. There are no race or ethnicity filters on this virus. If you get sick the biggest dangers are complications like pneumonia. Kids don't see as being affected by it. They could be carriers though.
 - 25th of April – SKYWARN training at 8 AM



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- N6JRL, Don won't be at the Megafest because he'll be at Curacao for the Youth DXadventure. He's also selling \$5 DX Adventure pins. All proceeds for the pins and the raffle tickets for the radio go towards the Youth DX Adventure to Curacao.
- Megafest Report: KD0NQM, Jim
 - July 11th is the date. Information on the club website for prizes, etc.
 - Tables and chairs will be set up the night before. Volunteers are needed.
 - Volunteers are also needed for the day of Megafest.
- WV7T, Mike – Hands on training at his place this summer. If you have coax connectors to donate please bring them by.

Program: History & Future of Pikes Peak FM Association by Don, WA9WWS

Adjourned @ 8:41 PM by N6JRL, Don