

PPRAA Business Meeting Minutes

9 August 2017



The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Raleigh Holcomb at the IHOP Restaurant on Stetson Hills near Powers Blvd. Over 40 members and guests were present.

The local scholarship awardee who received our \$1K scholarship, Anthony Mitchell KE0LQK, was introduced and spoke briefly, thanking us for the award. Anthony is a PPRAA member. Congratulations to Anthony!

Silent Keys: None.

The minutes for the July meeting were approved as corrected in the Zero Beat and on the PPRAA website. Correction: three officer positions are open for election, not four.

Treasurer's Report Jim Madsen reported that we had \$14769.66 in our accounts as of 9 August 2017.

Committee Reports

Megafest Report

Jim Rader - a Megafest chairperson for the 2018 event is still needed. Jim will be supporting this activity and the chair.

ARES Report

John Bloodgood reported that ARES will be supporting the Pikes Peak Ascent & Marathon and the Colorado Springs Marathon in August. ARES has been experimenting with the FSQ digital mode.

Old Business

Elections coming up in Oct. President, Vice President, and Secretary plus one board member slots need to be filled. Contact a club officer or board member if interested.

Club Station

Still need to buy, mix, and pour the concrete for a pad by the shed. Have put up the six meter delta loop, but not yet tested. We now have a Signalink sound card interface for the club station for use with digital modes.

VP report - Mike said they are trying to get a 2m net started on the 147.345 MHz repeater. Lots of radio activities in Aug and Sept. Also considering having a K1A (KIA - the car) special event

Deep Space Exploration Society - Myron invited all to the DSES Open House at the Haswell dish site on Aug 11-13.

New Business

Picnic

Fountain Creek Regional Park, Pavilion #3, on August 20. Meats and drinks are provided, please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert.

Club Historian Needed

If you can help with this position, contact a board member or club officer.

Colorado QSO party

This PPRAA-sponsored event will be Labor Day weekend on Saturday, September 2. We will need operators at the club stations. All club members are called to participate if you can - at either end of the QSOs.

Program

Mike WV7T and Dave AD0QD gave a talk about "Understanding Your Antenna Analyzer", including a hands-on demonstration .

Upcoming Events

Next PPRAA board meeting: 6:30PM, Monday, September 11, 2017, at the IHOP Restaurant on Stetson Hills at Powers.

Next PPRAA regular meeting: 7PM, Wednesday, September 13, 2017. Same location as above.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
John Wishart NGØI
PPRAA Secretary
22 August 2017