

02/28/2017

Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.

General Meeting #25

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) Called the Meeting to Order at 19:00

Invocation led by Doyle Windham (WE4GW)

Welcome Special Guests and Introductions

Treasure's Report- Howard Weeks (K5JCP)

Bank Balance- \$5,124.48

Secretary Report of last month's meeting on Website – Shannon Covington (KK4MED)

***Motion** – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) made a motion to accept the meeting minutes from 1/24/17 and Dan Marshall (N1ADM) seconded it. None were opposed.

Presentations

- **Leonard Vaughan (KI4NSW), Meteorologist with the National Weather Service in Columbia, SC**
 - Basic Storm Spotter Training
- **Information provided by Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) regarding offer from the Amateur Radio Club of Augusta to participate in a special event station during the Total Solar Eclipse in August 2017**
 - ***Motion** – Bob Hunter (KC4KPN) made a motion for the Columbia county club participate in joint event for the Special Event Station Total Solar Eclipse with the Amateur Radio Club of Augusta and Doyle Windham (WE4GW) seconded it. Todd Dunaway (AI4XF) will be the chair person for getting things set up with the other club.

Committee Director Reports

Asset/Inventory Committee – Earl Welsh (KG4HIQ)

- Some equipment was donated by someone and it was voted on for the field day committee choice any equipment they may want to keep and the rest was sold at the Amateur Radio Club of Augusta Tail gate. We made \$374.00 on the equipment sold.

Field Day Committee – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) Winter Field Day

- We made 3,416 points
- Had a digital Station going
- Log has been submitted and will be place on the club website for review and any comments anyone may have.

Outreach Committee – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA)

- Cindy Cunningham (KM4DBA) is looking for people to help out with a Radio Academy at Grovetown Middle School. Discussed doing a 6-week course for about 2 hours a week.
 - ***Motion** – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) made a motion to set up the Academy and Earl Welsh (KG4HIQ) seconded it. None were opposed.
- Information was provided regarding protective boxes to protect the club's equipment (Field Day and other transportable gear) from weather and to protect them at events. Such protected boxes were purchased by Earl Welsh (KG4HIQ) and Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) for an extremely reasonable price of \$45 each at the 2017 Hamcation and offer them to the ARCCC, Inc. first before using them otherwise.
 - ***Motion** – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) made a motion to buy the 4 boxes to store equipment in and Dan Marshall (N1ADM) made a seconded it. None were opposed.
- Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) suggested we explore info for the following equipment needs.
 - Antenna Tuner
 - Cable
 - Filters

Field Day Committee-Dan Marshall (N1ADM) and Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT) Summer Field Day

- There was discussion to move the field day location from the Grovetown Lions Club to another location. Louis Hernandez (K4IIE) offered the same location we used for Winter Field Day to use for 2017 ARRL Field Day.
 - ***Motion** – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) made a motion to do the summer Field day at the same location we used for Winter Field Day and Walter Brumbeloe (W4EFS) seconded it. None were opposed.

Meeting Adjourned at 21:30