

07/28/2020

**Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.
General Meeting # 82**

This meeting was held online via Zoom, with livestream to the ARCCC, Inc. Facebook page. The meeting was also recorded, and a link to the YouTube video is available on the ARCCC, Inc. web page.

Dan Marshall (N1ADM) called the meeting to order at 19:01

Invocation led by Richard Sturgis (KR4XN)

Welcome Special Guests and Introductions: held via roll call by the meeting host

Membership Applications

Three membership applications were received from the ARCCC VE test session on 07011-2020:

- Kevin Seagle (KO4FMU)
- Joe Walker (KO4BUT)
- Timothy Willis (KO4FMV)

• ***Motion** – Jim Cunningham (KV4YA) made a motion to accept all three for club membership. Casper Fagerberg (KO4DQI) seconded. None were opposed

Treasurer's Report – Steve Clayborn (KJ4FSX) – Balance \$4,990.53 (\$1,365.66 available for operations after outstanding commitments)

• ***Motion** – Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ) made a motion to accept the treasury report. David Corsiglia (WA6TWF) seconded. None were opposed

The Secretary's Report for last month's meeting is on the club website

• ***Motion** – Richard Sturgis (KR4XN) made a motion to accept the secretary's report. Carmen LaPierre (K4EQQ) seconded. None were opposed.

Old Business

- **Belair Rd repeater repair, PM and upgrades**
 - Funds for tower work have been reserved
 - Initial site preparation (trenching & installing innerduct) on June 6th
 - 1-5/8" and 1-1/4" coax has been secured
 - Both pieces of coax will not fit in the 4" innerduct
 - Repeater Committee met to develop a plan for going forward:
 - Need to purchase 2 X 1-1/4" connectors (approx. \$170)
 - Dig another trench for conduit for the 1-1/4" hardline (tentatively scheduled for Saturday, 15 August)

- ***Motion** – Robert McManus (KN4KQJ) made a motion for the club to purchase two 1-1/4” connectors at a cost of \$200 or less. Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU) seconded. None were opposed.
- **Storage of club property**
 - Members approved storage shed payment through end of September 2020
 - Donations Subcommittee has begun the process of identifying which items will be retained and which will be sold
 - Volunteers will be needed to assist with disposition, relocation, and possibly storage of club property
- **Nominations Committee**
 - Need committee members and a director!
 - Board of Directors election in November
 - Nominations will be offered at the October meeting
 - Slate must be presented to club members by email at least two weeks prior to the November meeting
 - No one present for the meeting volunteered to be on the Nominations Committee

Field Day Committee Update on ARRL Field Day

- K4KNS operated as 2A from Camp Tanglewood on June 27th
 - Using club-owned IC-7100 and IC-7600 radios
- 44 SSB QSOs on 40m + 31 SSB QSOs on 20m
 - Preliminary score for K4KNS: 1,090
- Additional logs submitted for ARCCC:
 - K1OYQ – 1D (+654)
 - N1ADM – 1D (+274)
 - WK4F – 1D (+252)
- Cumulative claimed score: 2,270

New Business

- Field Day Committee members needed for 2021 Winter Field Day and ARRL Field Day. New Field Day Committee Co-Directors:
 - Robert McManus, KN4KQJ
 - David Corsiglia, WA6TWF
- Proposal for combined ARCA-ARCCC Winter Field Day event
 - ARCCC’s FD Committee would work with ARCA’s FD Committee if the clubs would like to pursue this

- ***Motion** – Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ) made a motion for the for the ARCCC, Inc. Field Day Committee to pursue a joint Winter Field Day effort with the Amateur Radio Club of Augusta. Casper Fagerberg (KO4DQI) seconded. None were opposed.
- ARCCC guidance/assistance to set up and support a school radio club
 - Thomas Hardin (KO4FFA) hopes to establish a club at Evans High School
 - Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ) and Bill Clark (WK4F) both agreed to assist Thomas with establishing the new club. The ARCCC, Inc. will also support with mentoring and possibly equipment.
 - Donations Subcommittee will consider whether the club should set aside any excess equipment that might be used by a school club.
- Bring Your Own Project (BYOP) Workshop
 - Camp Tanglewood is not available on September 19th or 26th
 - Different venue or alternate dates
 - With increasing number of COVID cases, it may be prudent to wait until later in the year

There were no other committee updates at this meeting

ARES – Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ), CC GA ARES EC

- Pete provided information about an upcoming exercise in August that will involve digital communications with WINLINK and ARDOP

AmRRON – Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU)

- Steven reminded attendees of the AmRRON net on Monday evenings at 2100 on the 146.985 repeater, as well as the simplex net on Monday evenings at 2030 using 146.420 MHz
- ***Motion** – Carmen LaPierre (K4EQQ) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sean Stanley (KM4NSG) seconded. None were opposed

Meeting Adjourned at 20:10