02/23/2021 Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc. General Meeting # 90

This meeting was held online via Zoom, and was recorded, with a link to the YouTube video posted on the ARCCC, Inc. web page. The meeting was also streamed by Facebook Live to the club Facebook page.

Dan Marshall (N1ADM) called the meeting to order at 19:00

Invocation led by Devon Harris (KM4PHT)

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

Membership Applications

Four applications for membership were presented:

- Gene Kilman, NU2P (formerly KM4GNZ)
- Robert Spurlin, KG4UKE
- Davidson Scott, WD4RIG
- Nancy Scott, KO4LDR

• *Motion – Mark Bronson (AA1WO) made a motion to accept all four applicants for club membership. Devon Harris (KM4PHT) seconded. None were opposed.

Treasurer's Report – Rick McKnight (NO3K) – Balance \$8,561.55 (\$4,059.86 available for operations after outstanding commitments)

• *Motion – Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to accept the treasury report. Shannon Covington (KK4MED) seconded. None were opposed.

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

• *Motion – David Corsiglia (WA6TWF) made a motion to accept the secretary's report. Rick McKnight (NO3K) seconded. None were opposed.

Reminder of upcoming events:

- 03-09-2021 ARCCC, Inc. BoD Meeting
- 03-13-2021 ARCCC, Inc. VE Test Session
- 03-23-2021 ARCCC, Inc. March Meeting
- 04-10-2021 <u>Ridge ARC Tailgater</u>
- 04-27-2021 ARCCC, Inc. April Meeting
- 06-05-2021 Atlanta Hamfest
- 06-26/27-2021 <u>ARRL Field Day</u>
- 08-21/22-2021 Huntsville Hamfest

- 08-28-2021
 - CCEMA Public Safety & Preparedness Day
- 09-03/05-2021 <u>Shelby Hamfest</u>
- 11-06/07-2021 <u>Stone Mountain Hamfest</u>

Old Business

- Savannah River Academy ARISS Contact Update
 - ARCCC's ARISS Tech Team visited SRA on February 17th to meet staff and survey the site
 - The window for the contact is July-December, with 1-2 week notice of the date
 - Possibility of live-streaming from the school
 - Educational presentations for the school leading up to the contact; requesting support from members for ideas and giving presentations
 - Offer from Mark Bronson (AA1WO) to include information about the ARISS event in the Amateur Radio Club of Augusta monthly newsletter
 - Rachel Jones (KO4HLC) and Rick McKnight (NO3K) leading the effort for ARCCC, Inc.
- Resuming In-Person Meetings
 - Tentatively planning to resume in April if venue is available
 - Plans to record in-person meetings and post videos on website

New Business

- Columbia County Public Safety and Preparedness Day, August 28th
 - ARCCC, Inc. has been invited to participate
 - Meeting with EMA Director on February 24th to discuss details
 - What are your ideas for club participation in this event?
 - We will need volunteers to coordinate and staff the event
 - Will present expectations for club participation after meeting with the EMA; club will vote on participation next month
 - ARES is also participating, and the club could join ARES for a joint effort

• Seeking your presentations and ideas

- Contacting NWS Columbia to possibly schedule SKYWARN training in March
- Membership dues collected in March
- Email notifications will be sent soon
- ARRL Field Day 2021
 - Field Day is June 26-27, 2021
 - Rule waivers for 2020 have been extended into this year
 - We need a committee and co-directors to organize ARCCC's participation
 - No volunteers stepped forward to organize the club's participation
- ARCCC, Inc. testing new group on groups.io

Committee Updates:

- IT: assessing possibility of changing domain service for a lower price

- **Repeater:** everything going well with the repeaters
- VE: 13 people signed up for next test session in March; looking for alternate testing locations

ARES – Susan Messick (WA0B)

ARES will participate in the American Red Cross exercise and will be conducting training. Use the contact form for ARES on the ARCCC website to contact Susan for additional information.

AmRRON – Devon Harris (KM4PHT)

AmRRON performed some real-world operations related to the ice storms in Texas. There will be a meet up for training on Saturday, with Eric Cagle (KK4ZHT) presenting.

• *Motion – Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to adjourn the meeting. David Corsiglia (WA6TWF) seconded. None were opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 20:19