

01/03/2023

**Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.
General Meeting #117**

This meeting was held in-person at the Columbia County EOC and streamed live to the ARCCC, Inc. Facebook page.

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) called the meeting to order at 19:00

Invocation led by Richard Sturgis (KR4XIN)

Special Presentation – Bill Clark (WK4F)

- Presented Dan Marshall (N4MI) with an award for being the outgoing ARCCC, Inc. President.

Welcome Special Guests and Introductions

Presentation - Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ) – DXpeditions

Upcoming Events – Noted on Slide

Membership Applications – Treasurer Steve Clayborn (KJ4FSX)

- Mark Anderson (KQ4EOV)
- Hannah Messano (KQ4EPZ)
- John Brinson
- Michael McMahon (W4UNK)
- Kris Lambert (KJ4KGA)
- Chuck Foster (KQ4FFL)

****Motion** – Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU) made a motion to accept all membership applications and David Slabodnik (KO4LDS) seconded it. None were opposed.

Treasurer's Report – Steve Clayborn (KJ4FSX) - Will provide update at next meeting on Tuesday February 7th, 2023.

- Also a Finance Committee is to be in existence according to the ARCCC, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws in which the Treasurer is a member. We need an additional person to be a member of the Finance Committee. David Slabodnik (KO4LDS) volunteered to join the Finance Committee.

Secretary Report of last month's meeting on Website for November 1st 2022.

****Motion** – David Corsiglia (WA6TWF) made a motion to accept the Secretary's report. and Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ) seconded it. None were opposed.

BUSINESS ITEMS

IT Committee – Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR)

- Rusty provided the previous AWS Credits purchased from TechSoup have been consumed and we should consider purchasing another grant worth of credits. The grant worth of credits are usually valid for 12 months and are valued at \$1000 for a cost of less than \$200. AWS Supports the club's IT infrastructure.

****Motion** – David Corsiglia (WA6TWF) made a motion to purchase AWS Credits for club site not exceed \$200.00 and Robert McManus (KN4KQJ) seconded it. None were opposed.

VE Team Committee – VEL Shannon Covington (KK4MED), Bill Clark (WK4F) and Susan Messick (WA0B)

- Next exam session will be held on Saturday January 14th, 2023 at 9:00 am. POB1 1305 Interstate Pkwy, Augusta, Ga. 30909.
- Additionally, the exam session on Saturday February 11th, 2023 has been cancelled due another event taking place.
- Also, the VE Team has run out of give-away radios which is part of the joint incentive program between the Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc. and the Amateur Radio Club of Augusta where a radio is given away at each exam session to a single person who passes their exam at said session. Each club typically purchases 6 portable radios and donates them to the VE Team for the give-away program.

****Motion**- Walter Brumbeloe (W4EFS) made a motion to purchase 6HTs handheld radios to give away at the VE Test session and not exceed \$200.00. Rachael Jones (KO4HLC) seconded it and none were opposed. Dan Marshall (N4MI) will purchase the radios.

Outreach Update – Rachael Jones (KO4HLC)

- Looking for 2 volunteers to help with Augusta Prep with 2023 ARISS

Net Control Committee – Bill Clark (WK4F)

- Net Controllers Wanted
- Will be providing some training for all net controllers
- Will be using an electronic log instead of paper.
- Bill Clark (WK4F) will update net announcements and if you have any updates place email to him by 3:00 pm.

Winter Field Day Committee 2023 – Shannon Covington (KK4MED) and Bill Clark (WK4F)

- Location – Georgia-Carolina Nature & Adventure Center located at 4316 Three J Road, Evans, GA 30809.
- Date: Saturday January 28th 2:00pm-Sunday January 29th till 2:00pm.
Set up starts at 9:00 am Saturday January 28th, 2023

Equipment we have:

3 Stations (3I) Indoor

2 Radios and 1 Digital

Radios (4) 7100s

Antenna's 40,20,80, and infeed

Coax and 2 power supplies

Radio Filters and headphones

Computers for Logging

Sign-up sheet for people operating and logging on the club site to sign up for time slots.

****Motion** – Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to request funds not exceed \$300.00 for food for winter field day and Robert McManus (KN4KQJ) seconded it. None were opposed. David Corsiglia will be responsible getting food.

Review of Motions and Assignments

****Motion** – David Slabodnik (KO4LDS) made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Pete LaPierre (K1OYQ) seconded. None were opposed.

Meeting Adjourned at 20:34