

09-11-2025

**Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting #161**

The Board of Directors meeting was held at Poblano's in Evans.

Those present for the meeting were:

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR), President
Dan Marshall (N4MI), Vice President
Bill Clark (WK4F), Treasurer
Shannon Welsh (KK4MED), Secretary
Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU), Board Member at Large
Mary Kate Kitchings (KN4UYQ) Member

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) called the meeting to order at 18:30

Agenda and actions:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approve BOD Meeting minutes for 05-08-2025
Motion: Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU) made a motion to accept the BOD meeting minutes and Dan Marshall (N4MI) seconded it. None were opposed.
3. **Determine next BOD Meeting Date, Time, and Location**
 - a) November 13th, 2025 at 18:30 at Your Pie in Grovetown Ga.
4. **Discussion of Review of:**
 - a) ARRL Special Services Club- Two Year (renewed 09-26-2023) Dan will send out on 09-12-2025.
 - I. Need to maintain list of activities and achievements for 2025 renewal.
 - b) Treasurer
 - I. 2025 Raffle Permit from CCSO (Cher Purvis) – Received
 1. Need to update corporation address
 - II. Columbia County Property Tax Exemption (Treasurer)
 1. Club Inventory
 - III. Add \$35.82 in Annual Budget for Phone System End Point Manager Updates – for 2025, Need to bring up for a vote at the next General Meeting.

- c) Fundraising Ideas (currently waiting on legal advice)
 - I. Tempest Weather Station
 - II. Dairy Queen
 - III. BridgeCom Affiliate
- d) Repeater Committee Update
 - I. Belair Site Power Loss (Walter has made cables)
 - 1. S-Com Programming for Battery Operation- Still needs to be programmed.
 - II. Pollards Corner Site Power Loss (Walter has made cables)
 - 1. Need to install Power Gates
 - III. Seeking Location to install 6-Meter Beacon
 - IV. Connection to Talkgroup Network will commence in the near future.
 - 1. Bridge requirements have been obtained and working to coordinate connection to TGIF network.
 - a.) First Option fell through with no result.
 - b.) Currently working on establishing our own bridge to TGIF
 - i. More than 80 hours from at least 4 folks have been working to get his bridge operational, still inoperable.
- e) Upcoming General Meeting Presentations
 - I. October 2025 – Geochron
 - II. November 2025 – Hamclock- Dan Marshall
 - III. February 2026 – ARDC- Rebecca Key
- f) Upcoming Events / Workshops
 - I. CHIRP Programming Workshops
 - II. Technician Course
 - 1. Vineyard Church of Augusta
 - a.) In the process of getting instructors lined up with completed NDAs with Stu Turner
 - b.) Preston Harep Medical Reserve Corps
- g) Clubhouse
 - I. Discussion of ARCCC, Inc. Clubhouse Vision
 - 1. If a clubhouse is in the best interest of the ARCCC, Inc., a detailed document needs to be developed that can be presented to the members to get their ideas on such an endeavor. This document should spell out the exact desires of the facility in full to include floorplan, expected finance requirements to maintain operation, how such a facility aligns with the mission stated in the ARCCC, Inc. Constitution and Bylaws, plans for use, expected plans to utilize in the best of the club, etc.
- h) 2025 Annual Awards Dinner and Holiday Party (Organizer TBD)
 - I. Tuesday, December 2nd at 18:30 – Confirmed by Members
 - 1. Suggestion – 2 Boys Pizza & Grill, 3851 Evans to Locks Road, Martinez, GA 30907
 - a.) **Motion:** Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to do the club Christmas Party at 2 Boy Pizza & Grill and Dan Marsahl (N4MI) seconded it. Rusty will go ahead to reserve it for that date.

- i.) Constitution and Bylaws revisions are in progress and once revisions are complete by the Constitution and Bylaws Committee, proposed revisions will be delivered to the members at the next General Meeting
- j.) 2026 Dates for ARCCC, Inc. General Meeting have been secured with the CCEOC
- k.) Considerations for maintaining a seamless transition to the new Board of Directors at the end of 2026

5. Miscellaneous Items

- a) Taliaferro County Sister Club
- b) Club Logo Working Rules Assignment
- c) Club Quiz
- d) 10 Year Review in 2025
- e) Time-Out-Timer Campaign?

6. Any Additional Items

- a) Vice President- Dan said he will take over net manager in January 2026.
- b) Secretary
- c) Treasurer
- d) Board Member at Large
- e) Co-Directors
- f) Members
- g) Guests

7. Review Motions and Assignments

Motion: Bill Clark (WK4F) made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU) seconded it. None were opposed.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 19:16.