

11-15-2025

**Amateur Radio Club of Columbia County, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting #164**

The Board of Directors meeting was held at Cracker Barrel in Grovetown, Ga.

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

Rusty Welsh (KG4HIR) called the meeting to order at 07:14

Agenda and actions:

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Approve BOD Meeting minutes for 09-11-2025
Motion: Bill Clark (WK4F) 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) January 8th, 2025 at 18:30 @ Your Pie in Grovetown GA.
4. **Discussion of Review of:**
 - a) iPhone List View for email
 - b) ARRL Special Services Club- Two Year (renewed 09-26-2023)
 - I. Submitted 09-13-2025
 1. ARRL Confirmed receipt of SSC Application 09-16-2025
 - c) Treasurer
 - I. 2026 Raffle Permit from CCSO (Cher Purvis)
 - II. Columbia County Property Tax Exemption (Treasurer)
 - III. Club Inventory
 - IV. Review Proposed 2026 Annual Budget
 - d) Groups.io
 - I. Underutilized Subgroups – Dan Marshall (N4MI)
 1. Little/no use:
 - a. BOD (Telegram used mostly for BOD business)
 - b. CSRA Ham Exams (no messages since March)
 - c. Elmers (very little traffic)
 - d. IT (no messages since February)
 - e. Net Control Ops (only used for calendar notifications)
 - f. Outreach (no messages since April)
 - h. Swap, Sell or Trade (very little traffic)
 2. Seem to be used frequently:

- a. Main
- b. Announcements
- c. ARES
- d. Bylaws
- e. Field Day
- f. Nominations
- g. Repeaters (mostly repeater issue forms)

e.) Fundraising Ideas (currently waiting on legal advice)

- I. Tempest Weather Station
 - 1. <https://ambassador.tempset.earth/>
- II. Dairy Queen
 - 1. <https://www.dairyqueen.com/en-us/giving-back/>
- III. BridgeCom Affiliate
 - 1. https://www.bridgecomsystem.com/pages/become-an-affiliate?srsltid=AfmBOopXNyD-VfwIgOD3cXPahiqLahK5s0Q2meq0p5A_CLoO3BjXU6r
- V. Lido Radio 10-24-2025
 - 1. <https://af.uppromote.com/lidomounts/register>
- IV. Ham Radio Prep 10-29-2025
 - 1. <https://hamradioprep.com/partnership/>

g.) Upcoming General Meeting Presentations

- I. January 2026-2026 Annual Budget, Proposed Constitution and Bylaws changes and winter Field Day.
- II. February 2026- Ropes and Knots- Randall Blumberg (KN4FYG)
- III. March 2026- Basics of On-Air Operations- Bill Clark (WK4F)

h.) Upcoming Events/ Workshops

- I. CHIRP Programming Workshops
- II. Technician Courses
 - 1. Vineyard Church of Augusta
 - a. Orientation- Thursday, November 20th, 2025 at 18:30.
 - 2. Preston Harpe Medical Reserve Corps- 2026 when funding is restored.

i.) Clubhouse

- I. Discussion of ARCCC, Inc. Clubhouse Vision
- II. If a clubhouse is in the best interest of the ARCCC, Inc., a detailed document should be developed to present 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 interest of the club, etc.

j.) 2025 Annual Awards Dinner and Holiday Party

- I. Tuesday, December 2nd, 2025 at 6:30 PM- Confirmed
 - 1. 2 Boys Pizza & Grill- 3851 Evans to Locks Road, Martinez, Ga. 30907

k.) Constitution and Bylaws revisions ongoing

l.) 2026 Dates for ARCCC, Inc. General Meetings have been secured with the CCEOC

m.) 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 2026
- e) Time-Out-Timer Campaign?

6. Any Additional Items

- a) Vice President
- b) Secretary
- c) Treasurer
- d) Board Member at Large
- e) Co-Directors
- f) Members
- g) Guests

7. Review Motions and Assignments

Motion: Steven Kitchings (KN4RVU) made a motion to adjourn the BOD meeting and Dan Marshall (N4MI) seconded it. None were opposed.

8. Adjourn @ 09:15