

## CARA Meeting Minutes - July 2018

The July, 2018 meeting was called to order by our Vice-President, Bill / N3 XMZ at approximately 7:32 pm. At the opening of the meeting, our Vice-President led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were 6 members And one visitor in attendance.

July MEETING ATTENDEES			
Bill / N3XMZ -Vice President	Dick / W3RBR - Treasurer	Ron / WA4PRR - Secretary	Andy / WA4BRX
Don / KR3A	Dick / AE3DT	Joseph Mandile / n0 call	

**BOARD MEETING:** The CARA Board met was held prior to the General Meeting. The following was discussed:

- 1.> The Mount Hope repeater problems with the Duplexer and repair options.
- 2.> Website problems in updating the site with the passwords ti access the back end of the site.

**MINUTES:** The minutes for the previous quarter (except April) were reviewed and the vote to accept them was postponed until our next meeting.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Our Treasurer reported that the checking balance was \$5.138.32 prior to paying bills and depositing funds collected.

**REPEATER:** The repeater status was discussed and the duplexer parts needed to repair it were authorized fir purchase by Chuck / AA3CS. Bill / N3ZMZ reported on the various tower sites available if needed. Ron / WA4PRR suggested that the existing antennas on the Prince Frederick tower be replaced with better antennas that are resonate on our frequencies. A discussion followed.

**WEBSITE:** Ron / WA4PRR reported that he was unable to get into the back-end if the website in order to update the webmail requires access a password which needs resetting. He is working on resetting the password.

**GENERATORS:** A discussion of the status of our club generator was held . It is operational. Other generators available to us were discussed.

**MEMBERSHIP:** The drop in membership was discussed . Ways to increase participation was discussed. Various committees were discussed.

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**COOKIE MONSTER:** The Cookie monster for August will be Dick / AE3DT.

**FIELD DAY:** The 2018 Field Day was discussed. Thanks to the Field Day Committee consisting of Monica / KC3DAS, Steve / N3IPN, and Dan / WW3N. WE ran a 4A category. A good time was had by all.

Andy / WA4BRX described his satellite attempt as well as his success with digital.

**LICENSE CLASSES:** The best study guides were discussed. It was decided that a class should be held later in the year. SP

50-50 Drawing - No drawing was held this meeting.

βThe meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM. A cookie break was held following the meeting. Cookies were provided by our President.