**CARA BOARD MINUTES MAY 12, 2022**

Attending: Secretary Dave KB3RAN, Treasurer Dick W3RBR, Director Dave W W3PQS, Vice President Dale KC3RKP, Andy KC3WRX and Troy KC3TXG by ZOOM

Called to order at 1832 PM by VP Dale. Meeting started around 1845 by ZOOM

Treasurer $4972.54

VP Dale offered suggestions for increasing and holding membership:

Fox Hunt with picnic

New members get a CARA T shirt and ID card upon joining.

Christmas Potluck

Monthly presentations on ham radio related topics

All active members to have CARA picture ID card. Must attend meeting to get picture taken.

Budget was not approved in January. Needs to be approved tonight.

Bylaws change needs to be presented to members tonight for approval next month. Change to 2nd Thursday of the month.

Board meeting adjourned at 1935

**CARA MEMBERS MEETING Minutes APRIL 7, 2022**

Attending: Vice President Dale KC3KRP, Secretary Dave H KB3RAN, Treasurer Dick W3RBR, Director Dave W W3PQS, Andy KC3WRX, Matt N3IVK, Erik KC3QQD, Peter N3PH, Shawn N3AE and Troy KC3TXG, Bob N3PPH, Bill N3XMZ, Ed WB6NCO and Dick Terlisner AE3DT by ZOOM.

Meeting called to order at 1940 by VP Dale

New Members: Matt Orr N3IVK, Andy Charland KC3WRX and Troy Christensen KC3TRX approved for membership

Bylaws change needed to move meetings to 2nd Thursday Motion to bring Bylaw change of article 7 presented to membership and will be voted on at June meeting.

Treasurer: $ 4972.30 in bank account.

Discussion of member recruitment/retention strategies:

New members receive CARA T shirt and photo ID card free.

Monthly tech talk: June Dave KB3RAN Setting up and operating PSK station, July: Shawn TBD, July Erik TBD

Members present polled for suggestions for meetings and activities to keep members active.

Dave KB3RAN: Public operations, Field Day, NVIS Day, Lighthouse Weekend and such

Dale KC3RKP: Inventory to see what we have, picnic

Dick W3RBR: Wal-Mart donated TV, we raffled off and made $900. Do it again.

Erik KC3QQD: Find and support community events like 10k’s. (In past years, we have supported PRAD parade, MS bike race, and others.

Shawn: Table at county fair.

Break for 50/50 sales windup, cookies. Erik and Dave played and sang “On the Air Again” with dual Autoharps. You should have paid attention!!

Matt won the 50/50. Donated his winnings back to club. $40 of tickets sold.

FIELD DAY PLANNING SESSION

Dale will provide lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday.

Dave W will rent generator

Dave W showed us a sign-up list. Will need stations for all FD bands.

Plans for 3 sideband stations, 1 digital station, a GOTA station and a talk-in station.

Will need N3FJP logging software prior to arrival at FD. Need router, laptops, and interconnecting cables

Need sign in log for participants and visitors

Antennae: Various antennae are being offered. Shawn has 2-6 meter dipole, others have dipoles and wire antennae.

Will need tuners, analyzers, Wi-Fi hotspot??

Dale will bring food, Dick will bring water and sodas

Next FD meeting on site at Broomes Island Community Center

Meeting adjourned at 2032

Respectfully submitted

Dave Hardy KB3RAN

Amended 5/16/22