

Calvert Amateur Radio Association

14 May 2026 Meeting Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting

The Board Meeting was called to order at 6:38pm by President, Brian Kress, KB3WFV. Officers present were: Erik Johnson KC3QQD (Vice-President), Lisa Kress (Treasurer), Dave Weaver W3PQS (Director) and Shawn Donley N3AE (Secretary). Members present were Andy KC3WRX, Johnathan, N5WTA and Dwight, KD3CZT.

Misc:

- The April Board minutes were approved.
- The original Yaesu DR-1 repeater is currently at N5WTA's QTH.

President:

- The new Kenwood repeaters ship tomorrow.
- Preparing for the CARA Trash or Treasure sale on May 16th at Mt Hope. Planning on getting CARA banners up around 7:30am. The community center opens at 8:30am for setup. The event starts at 10:00am.
- The June CARA meeting will be held at the planned Field Day site on Brooms Island.

Vice-President:

- Erik is still working on grant applications to several organizations.

Secretary:

- No new inputs.

Director:

No new inputs.

Treasurer:

- Note: \$3,000.00 was transferred from the Truist Money Market Account to the PNC Checking Account on April 11th 2026 to be used for new repeater purchase.
- Note: \$5,928.28 has been spent on two new repeaters and related network hardware. Currently waiting for delivery of new repeaters.
- Below is the CARA account balances AS OF APRIL 30th 2026.

\$ 2,568.74 PNC Checking
\$ 3,280.78 PNC Certificate of Deposit
\$ 8,250.77 Truist Money Market

The Board meeting adjourned at 7:17 pm.

General Membership Meeting

Meeting was called to order at 7:37pm

Present were:

Brian KB3WFV	Erik KC3QQD	Shawn N3AE	Dave W3PQS
Lisa Kress	Mike AL3G	Peter N3PH	Jon KD3DEY
Daire AC3KX	Ron WSIT671	Kim K3OCM	Jon Jr KD3DEF
Andy KC3WRX	Johnathan W5WTA	Dwight KD3CZT	Dick AE3DT

Please see Board minutes for information that was repeated during the General Meeting

- Members voted to approve the April 2026 minutes.

President:

- The May 16 Trash or Treasure event is on. Remember to enter via the front door of the community center. OK to use the exterior doors in the big room to exit.
- Planning on returning funds to the MCA grant account that were used to cover part of the new repeater purchase.
- The Yaesu FT891 radio raffle has accumulated \$800.00 so far. Additional tickets will be available at the Trash or Treasure event. A special thanks to Andy, KC3WRX, for donating the Yaesu FT891 to CARA for the raffle.
- Brian gave a quick review of RACES, ARES and Skywarn for the newly minted amateur radio operators present.
- The June CARA meeting (6/11) will be held at the Field Day site on Brooms Island. Field Day food will be pot luck.
- The current Zoom account will remain active (money already spent) until next year when we will switch to a discounted option available for non-profits.
- The Ethernet switches needed for the new repeater system have arrived. The new Kenwood repeaters ship tomorrow.
- The audit committee finished their review of CARA's books and found no issues, but have a few recommendations to pass along to next year's audit committee.

Vice-President

- No new inputs.

Treasurer:

- See the Board Minutes for the Treasurer's report.

Director:

- No new inputs.

New Members:

- We have had an influx of new members recently. The President has compiled an updated list which has been emailed to the membership. We currently have 55 members. The list appears at the end of these minutes.

Misc:

- The 50-50 was won by Peter, N3PH who donated all of his cut, resulting in \$60.00 going to the CARA treasury.
- With no further business or discussion, motion was made and seconded to adjourn at approximately 8:34 pm.

CARA Membership List as of May 2026

1	Adams, Jon KD3DAH	31	Mason, Melvin KC3TAT
2	Armstrong, David B, KC3TIA	32	Metler, David W3OH
3	Brooks, Todd, W3EME	33	Metler, Jim KA3DAE
4	Charity, Franklin KD3CQH	34	Minerd, Stephen W3SMM
5	Charland, Andrew KC3WRX	35	Mumper, Jimmy KD3CVW
6	Clark, Joseph "Mike" N1JMC	36	Nasitka, Michael AL3G
7	Davis, Jon KD3DEY	37	Navalaney, Joseph KC3RBJ
8	Donley, Marge	38	Navalaney, Yvonne KC3RBK
9	Donley, Shawn N3AE	39	Nehemias, Abraham KC3WOA
10	Fenton, Nigel G0JKN	40	Nelson, Phillip NO3N
11	Foxworthy, Thomas KC3YZZ	41	Ratcliffe, Dick W3RBR
12	Gissiner, Dean KD3CSZ	42	Ratcliffe, Miriam A KC3ASQ
13	Gordon, Dwight KD3CZT	43	Ryan, Bill N3RY
14	Graziano, Nick WB2ASR	44	Scott, Ronald
15	Hackett, Bill N3XMZ	45	Sheskin, Bob L. N3PPH
16	Harrell, David W. K3GGM	46	Sollars, Dale KC3RKP
17	Harrell, Priscilla K3FFF	47	Steffee, David KC3RWT
18	Hoffman, Kurt KB3TSE	48	Stevens, Mike K3MSP
19	Hughes, Daire AC3KX	49	Terlisner, Richard AE3DT
20	Hughes, Peter N3PH	50	Tomor, Mark E. KC3VNH
21	Huseman, Scott, W3JSH	51	Trent, Andrew "Drew" KN4VWB
22	Ibert, Jonathan N5WTA	52	Weaver, Camille KA3RUR
23	Itzoe, Donna N5DTZ	53	Weaver, David P W3PQS
24	Jenkins, Lelia KC3ZPC	54	Wells, Kim E K3OCM
25	Johnson, Erik KC3QQD	55	Zumstein, Edward WB6NCO
26	Kress, Brian KB3WFV		
27	Kress, Lisa		
28	Lumadue, Charles AB3LE		
29	Mahaffey, Wade KB3VLE		
30	Mandile, Joesph KD3BLI		