

# Executive Board Meeting Minutes

## August 3, 2017

President Peter Winters called the August Executive Board meeting to order at 7:05 PM

in attendance were Peter Winters, W4GHP. Shannon Boal, K4GLM. Gregory Sporer, KM4OCZ. Susan Tipton, K9PDL. Bob Guertin, W1GLV. Jeff Capehart, K4UFL. Sam Ullman, K4ZVD. Vann Chesney, AC4QS. Larry Kovak, WB2SVB.

Sickness, Health and Welfare: Shana Gilbreath, wife of member Bill Gilbreath, K4ALF. Fell again at home and had to have pins put in her arm she is now home from the hospital and recovering.

Secretary's report: Gregory had nothing to report.

Treasurer's report: Susan had nothing to report

Webmaster's report: Bob and Larry are waiting for domain names from the former owner of gars.net. For the time being it looks as if our website is going to be gars.club. More information to come.

ARES report: Jeff said that at the next ARES meeting which will be held Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at the Red Cross Ctr. will involve slow scan TV anyone interested in learning about that. The meeting starts at 7 PM, but you can get there at 6 PM to socialize. It sounds very interesting, you should consider it.

Repeater Trustee/VP: Shannon informed us that the repeaters are working fine. He had nothing to report as the VP.

President's report: a message will be broadcast on the 146.820 frequency to get donations from nonmembers. We are still working on what the message will say.

Old business: the recognition plaques are done for the Gethsemane Lutheran Church, AVMED Health Systems and Waldo First Baptist Church. The board is considering the best times to present these plaques. Additionally, two checks will also be presented one to the Gethsemane Lutheran Church and the other to the Waldo First Baptist Church.

An update on the September General Meeting program, Tuesday, September 18, 2017, will be a field trip to the WRUF transmitter site on NE. 53<sup>rd</sup> Ave. in Gainesville. Carpooling is the best option. The board tried to get the you use of the Trinity United Methodist Church bus, but it can only be used for church sponsored events. If you have a large vehicle please bring it that night, thank you.

The annual awards dinner and Christmas party, which will be held on December 19 at Trinity United Methodist Church, Frannie Long, Trinity kitchen manager is putting together a menu for our review, it should be available at the next Executive Board meeting.

New business: October General meeting: the program is currently open so we need a volunteer, or one will have to be picked from the hat.

The Boy Scouts of America Jamboree on the Air (JOTA): this year's event is scheduled for October 20-22, 2017 GARS normally participates on Saturday, October 21 at the fall picnic. Larry's son-in-law has a scout that is willing to conduct a class for younger scouts as Andy, the fellow who used to do it, is now out of the area. The 21<sup>st</sup> is a bye week for UF football this year.

Upcoming events: The Veterans Day event which will be held Saturday, November 11, 2017 at the Kanapaha Veterans Park. More info to follow.

December: operation Santa delivery. We do not have a firm date on which will be held. It will either be December 9 or the 16<sup>th</sup>.

Preplanning is now underway for the 2018 Hamfest. We are awaiting response from the Waldo first Baptist Church to reserve their hall on Saturday, April 21, 2018.

**A Motion was put to the board to adjourn the meeting it was seconded and approved at 8:25 PM.**

**May God, bless you and God bless America.**

Gregory C Sporer, Secretary.