

# Executive Board Meeting Minutes

## July 13, 2017

President Peter Winters called the July Executive Board meeting to order at 7 PM. Those in attendance included.

Peter Winters, President, W4GHP; Shannon Boal, Repeater Trustee/Vice President, K4GLM; Treasurer, Susan Tipton, K9PDL; Bob Guertin, Webmaster, W1GLV; Jeff Capehart, ARES, Coordinator, W4UFL; Secretary, Gregory Sporer, KM4OCZ. Board Members, Vann Chesney, AC4QS; Larry Rovak, WB2SVB; Sam Ullman, K4ZVD.

Secretary's report: Gregory had nothing to report.

Treasurer's report: Susan had nothing to report

Webmaster's report: Bob said the website is looking good. We have switched Internet provider to QTH. Bob and Larry are working on the details. It should be online soon.

ARES report: Jeff said 12 members came to the ARES monthly meeting on July 12, 2017. The next meeting should be Wednesday, August 9, 2017 at the Red Cross office in Gainesville Florida.

Repeater trustee/VP: Shannon said the repeaters are working fine. The board is considering putting an announcement on the repeater to run from time to time to get donations from nonpaying members and current members and to get more Hams interested in becoming members. More to follow.

President's report: Peter said the projector we use for the General Meeting has a VGA to USB cable that doesn't work very well. This projector is owned and serviced by the church and they have been notified about the problem and we will see what they decide to do.

Old Business: Field Day 2017: Turned out to be a very good event. The setup was easy as was the takedown. The weather was in our favor and 30 to 40 Hams showed up to give us their support. Twelve members worked the radios, in shifts, for the 22 hours that we were on the air.

Shelter Antenna Project: Jeff Beilling, of the Alachua County EOC, has been in touch with Peter. All the equipment is on hand. Jeff Capehart is in the process of getting supporting equipment in line for the assembly process. Per Jeff Beilling the expected start time of the project will be before the end of July 2017. These antennas will be set up at the senior center in Gainesville and the Newberry shelter in Newberry.

New Business: The President is working with Rob Carr of WUFT to schedule a tour of the channel 5 transmitter site. Hopefully for the August 15 general meeting. More details to follow.

Veterans Day event: will be Saturday, November 11, 2017. More details to follow.

Christmas banquet: we are talking with the administration of the Trinity United Methodist Church to let us hold our December meeting in the atrium. They will do all the cooking and cleaning up and all we must do is show up and enjoy ourselves. (What a treat!) This for a very reasonable fee, which is yet to be determined. This will include a full meal.

Operation Santa drop: the date for this will either be the 9th or 16th December. Once again, more details to follow. New Business: programs for August, September, October 2017:

J.O.T.A.-This is a yearly event held by the Boy Scouts of America. It will be held on October 20 through the 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017. This year will be their 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Jamboree on the Air.

We are still planning to get Thank You plaques for the Waldo Baptist Church and the Gethsemane Lutheran Church for their kindness in letting us use their facilities.

Upcoming programs for the General Meeting. We will be picking names from the hat on Tuesday night July 18, 2017 to find out who will be the lucky guy or gal to have a program for either August, September and October 2017.

Winter Field Day: is scheduled for January 27-28, 2018. We will probably only be there on Saturday, especially if the weather is cold and miserable.

**A Motion was put to the Board to make our yearly donation to WUFT, in the amount of \$350. The motion was seconded and approved.**

Programs: July's program will be "The History of AM radio". It will be presented by Shannon Boal. If you happen to have an old AM radio transistor or tube, pocket or tabletop, please feel free to bring it in, as kind of a show and tell. We would really like to see them.

**A Motion to adjourn the Executive Board meeting was put to the Board, it was seconded and unanimously approved at 8:35 PM.**

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

Gregory Sporer, Secretary.