

General Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2018

Vice President Shannon Boal opened the July meeting of the Gainesville Amateur Radio Society at 6:40 PM. He then led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and started the introductions.

Sickness/Health and Welfare: nothing to report.

A moment of silence.

Secretary's report: The Secretary had nothing to report.

Treasurer's report: The Treasurer reported that her figures match with the bank's figures for the month of June.

A Motion was put to the members to approve the June Treasurer's report, it was seconded and approved.

Webmaster's report: our website is working well.

ARES report: Gordon Gibby's, KX4Z, Lunch and a Lab will be held on Sunday instead of Saturday due to family issues, at the Wendy's by the interstate on 39th Ave. at noon on the 22nd. A General license class may be coming soon. Let's keep our fingers crossed. The S. E. T. (Simulated Emergency Test) will be held on October 6, 2018, at the Red Cross office. Gordon told us that pass-throughs in the outer walls of the emergency shelters are going to be installed so that we don't have to run a coaxial cable out of the door as we did last year. Gordon has made the boxes for these pass-throughs and will give them to building maintenance to install. The next ARES meeting will be August 8, 2018 at the Red Cross. Gordon will talk about ARDUINO. ARRL will be creating an ARES webpage to connect, register and recruit amateur radio members. Gordon will try to create a new symposium, like we had last year, next February 2019.

Repeater Trustee/VP: repeaters are working okay. 444.925 is fine but still having trouble connecting with the SARS net.

President's report: The President was not in attendance of this meeting.

Old business:

The Executive Board has obtained quotes for a run of GARS identification patches for shirts and jackets, and has selected a vendor. The patches will be on a cost share basis of \$5 apiece to club members. 100 patches have been ordered.

Points received for Field Day: we got points for our emergency power and media publicity, also the publication information table. Points were also given for message handling, the use of natural power, solar. We had a safety officer this year. We also had John Troupe KM4JTE, who was transmitting in CW.

New business: there is no new business.

Tonight's program: a PowerPoint presentation by Kevin Young KC7FPF about the Ham Radio Deluxe Logging Program.

Future programs:

August: Gordon Gibby is going to give a talk about the creation of a neighborhood ham radio operator watch during emergency situations.

September: open.

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

God bless America and May God bless you.

Gregory C Sporer, Secretary GARS