

GARS Eboard meeting

2019 May 2nd

Called to order 6:57 PM

Attendance: Shanon Boal, Debbie Boal, Vann Chesney, Carol Chesney, Larry Rovak, Greg Sporer, and Bob Guertin.

Sickness and health:

(Clarence) Barney Williams (KD4IPN) is in VA hospital with a broken leg.

OFFICER REPORTS

Webmaster: Nothing to report

ARES:

1. ARRL EC-001 Intro to Emergency Communications class will begin Saturday May 18th at the EOC. Class will run three (3) Saturdays, 9am-4pm, May 18, June 1, June 15.
2. Tentative EXAM for EC-001 will be June 15, 2019 @ 4pm @ EOC
3. EOC background checks are still in the works; 5 previously completed; 20 are authorized
4. Gordon is still planning an Extra class course August 17 and 18th at his house.
5. Statewide Hurricane Exercise is May 6-9. First emails delivered today (no action required.)
6. QST NFL has been published with 3 articles from Alachua County hams:
(March For Babies; Alachua Full-Scale Exercise report; MARC Training report)
7. NORTHERN FLORIDA SECTION ARES is planning a State ARES Conference May 27, 2019 in Tallahassee. Already signed up: Jeff Capehart, Susan Halbert, Allan West, Leland Gallup, Gordon Gibby
8. EOC HF RADIO/ANTENNA UPDATE: Gordon expects to work on the noise problem at the EOC working with Ryan Lee.

Secretary report: Thank you letters sent. Please let me know of any public figures you would like invited to field day.

Treasurer report: Successful Hamfest. Had a fair number of visitors from Levy county
VP & repeater trustee report: Drafted letter to Rob Carr asking to have one antenna moved higher. Still need 6' (or possibly 3') standoff. Also need heliax connectors. Cost of 1.25" connectors is \$50 each. Also need some grounding kits.

OLD BUSINESS

Hamfest: Motion to move to \$750 to repeater fund from Hamfest profits approved. The vendors were generally happy. Don't have complete record of the prize winners. Only have the records of the mailed prizes. A consumer left an HT behind. Larry has it if anyone asks.

Field Day: Gordon Gibby created an organizational chart. It will be posted on the club website. We will check interest for operators before finalizing antenna plans. Larry R. will go over logging software and provide laptops as . He will not be here for the actual field day. Has some concern about clean UPS for the switch. Will have an educational activity after church on Sunday.

NEW BUSINESS NONE

Meeting adjourned 8:19