

# Ozone Amateur Radio Club Inc.

## Business Meeting Agenda

Date: 10/4/2018

- Meeting called to order (Jay, KF5KAE) \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30 PM
- Invocation: Tom, KD5GFG
- Pledge of allegiance
- Self-introductions all around
- Minutes filed on web site; not read
- Treasurer's Report (Tom, KD5GFG)
- Committee reports
  - RFI (Sean, N5PGO): Not much change from last time. Friday, a week ago, net time on 75 meters, QRN wavering screech coming and going. Thinks it is the Corona hats on the power poles.
  - Eating Meeting (Dominic, W5DGM): he hasn't had time, Work load prevents him from functioning as the Coordinator. He needs some relief.
  - NETS:
    - 2-Meters (Tom, KD5GFG) \_\_\_\_\_ 99 Check-ins
    - 75 Meters(Dominic, W5DGM) \_\_\_\_\_ 34 Check-ins
    - 10 Meters(Ron, WB5CXJ) \_\_\_\_\_ 36 Check-ins
    - ARES (Manny, WD5BJR) \_\_\_\_\_ 88 Check-ins
  - Station Manager (Dave, K5OZ): Not present no report
  - Computers (Emile, KE5QKR): Not present no report
  - Field Day (Emile, KE5QKR): Not present no report

- Hamfest: No report
- Repeater (John, AA5UY): Last Tuesday, an unannounced power test of the repeater was done. Repeater is back to normal. Dave, K5OZ, thinks we have issues with the Fusion repeater and wants to switch back to the Kenwood repeater. It was reported we may have some de-sense. We are not sure if repeater antenna or duplexers is the problem. Dave plans to do a major rebuild of the repeater system and repackage system in a larger cabinet. If and when this happens, the repeaters and digi will be off the air for 2 to 3 days.

Greg Grant, WA5IEK, in Diamondhead does a lot of RMS thru our digi system and sent a donation to the club.

- Classes (Frank, WA5VCS): Nothing
- Exams (John, AA5UY): Saturday, October 27, at 9 a.m. Applicants should be here at the club house with \$15 and proper ID. Testing of Technician - Extra will be available. More information about what to bring is on our web site under classes/tests.
- Weather Service (Ron, WB5CXJ): Everything has been quiet. Keep an eye on the gulf. There is something off the Yucatan. Rain is in the forecast for this weekend.
- Asst. District 9 Coordinator (Manny, WD5BJR) the group has been working and getting training.
- OARC Emergency Coordinator (John, AA5UY): John talked about the upcoming MARS Interoperability test on 60 meters. SWEAT a new acronym, October 24-26.
- QRM (Emile, KE5QKR): Not present no report

- Historian (Gail, KC5CQJ): Not present no report
- Scholarship (Bill, KF5PQ): Not present, Tom, KD5GFG, gave a report on Scholarship monies in the Treasury.
- Web Page (John, AA5UY): Working well. Over 300 hits in the past week. He was surprised by the numbers.

Old Business: Second Reading on K5RUP, Ed Carpenter, Vote was unanimous. Congratulations to Ed, K5RUP.

Christmas Party; many suggestions were made. The club finally settled on Southside Cafe, if available on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in December from 4-6 PM. Dominic will check availability. More information will be posted on our web site when available.

Jay, KF5KAE, asked Ron if he had any more information on club shirts. Ron, WB5CXJ, said he has to have a design.

Jay, KF5KAE, mentioned we need to start thinking of a slate of officers for next year. He is planning a Board Meeting on this subject in November.

New business: First reading on Michael Armstrong, W0MTA .

Ron, WB5CXJ, brought a copy of an FCC alert on non compliant radios. Be careful of your radios and their usage.

Jay, KF5KAE, ask Ron, WB5CXJ, if he had any news on a possible showcasing of the OARC in Slidell Magazine. Ron reported he had no information

Jay, KF5KAE, reported he had received a letter from the Crescent City Ham Club announcing their Hamfest. John, AA5UY, reported that the information was already on the club's website.

Sean, N5PGO, had two items, #1, there is an air show at the New Orleans Lake Front Airport this coming weekend. It is put on by the WW II Museum. #2. Yesterday we had a nationwide Presidential emergency alert

test. Sean said the founder of McAfee anti virus warned that it is possible for the system to turn on you system's cameras, voice and GPS unannounced. So be careful.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:18 PM 21 Present