

OARC BUSINESS MEETING

9/3/2020

ZOOM VIRTUAL

CORONA VIRUS PANDEMIC SEQUESTERING IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS
TELECONFERENCING MEETING

Online: Dave K5OZ, Frank WA5VCS, Russell WI5ARD, Paul W2XXX, Glen KG5CEN, Ron WB5CXJ, Mike KM5LS, Tom KD5GFG, Scott KD5PCK, Sean N5PGO, Elmer N5EKF (a Prairieville visitor), Chris W5CLP, Paula KI5CDJ, Bob KC5NNK

- Meeting Called to order (Dave K5OZ) _____ 7:30 PM
- Introductions all around, Dave K5OZ went thru everyone online
- Minutes only filed, not read
- Committee Reports
 - Eating Meeting (Paula KI5CDJ): Dave K5OZ said we are waiting on COVID-19 to go away before having an Eating Meeting. Later Paula KI5CDJ said she has a couple of choice but was keeping it a secret. We would like her selections and will vote on it.
 - NETS:
 - 2-Meters (Tom KD5GFG): 116 Check-ins
 - 10 Meters (Ron WB5CXJ): 21 Check-ins
 - ARES (Glen KG5CEN): 102 Check-ins
 - This was a 5-week month.

- Station Manager (Bob KC5NNK): Still sitting there. Both Dave K5OZ and Bob KC5NNk have visited the club house and all is secure.
- Computers (Bob KC5NNK): Dave said when he was there, the 2 computers were still there working.
- Field Day (Emile KE5QKR): Not present, no report
- Hamfest (Dave K5OZ): Of course, by now everyone should know it is canceled for 2020. The City had recommended we cancel. We have new dates for next year, 23/24 July. Nick K5EF sort of wished we had stayed with October dates because of the weather. But then you have Hurricane problems. The new Auditorium AC should keep everyone cool. Tom KD5GFG is returning Flea Market tables deposit.
 - (Elmer N5EKF): Suggested we ask people that have made deposit if they want their money returned, held for next year or maybe donate to the club. Short discussion, so few have paid we will consider it later.
- Repeater (Dave K5OZ): We know it needs work. The 147.27 still has the antenna noise. Eventually it will require an antenna repair. The 442.125 has problems but Dave has not been out to check. Even with problems it is getting good coverage, about a 40-mile radius, right up there with the two meters.
- Classes (Frank WA5VCS): Nothing
- Exams (John AA5UY): Not present.
- Canceled with the Hamfest. Chris W5CLP said that on the last Sunday of the month there is Ham testing in Springfield Louisiana. Lots of space for social distancing. Also, it is believed there is monthly testing in Jefferson.
- Weather Service (Ron WB5CXJ): The Status Quo, they are still only allowing 2 employees on site at a time. The Lake Charles Weather Radar was taken out by Hurricane Laura

- Asst. District 9 Coordinator (Manny WD5BJR) Not present

OARC Emergency Coordinator (Glen KG5CEN) Lots done last month. Glen KG5CEN and Manny WD5BJR were at the Parish EOC in Covington. They replaced the antenna coupler/tuner. They also put up a new fan dipole. Glen then completed the setup of the Slidell City EOC getting all programs working. Glen was involved with an AUXCOM Exercise and got clarification on how GOHSEP wanted their reports. We had 148 ARES man hours for the moth.

Dave K5OZ reported that he, Ron WB5CXJ and Frank WA5VCS had completed the antenna installations at the Slidell City EOC. Dave then gave a description of the EOC equipment

- QRM (Emile KE5QKR): Not present no report
- Historian (Gail KC5CQJ) Not present no report
- Web Page (Russell WI5ARD): He and John AA5UY are working on their transition of responsibility. Once the transition is complete, he will start creating a new web page running in parallel with the old so you can see the changes.

Old Business: Glen KG5CEN report that all club shirts are in and he would like to get them to members. Contact him as he has them at his house. Sean N5PGO was wonder about ordering a shirt. With a single shirt Shipping is the big problem. Sean says he will work out something.

New business: Paula WI5CDJ and Bob KC5NNK reported on their progress as VE's Paula has her accreditation and Bob needs to fill out the form and sent it in.

Dave K5OZ reported that the Mayor and Chief of Police want to come and view the EOC in operation. It was suggested that we do that on October 2nd

during the SET. Possible problem. That is a weekend and Dave is not sure if the Mayor and Chief would want to come out on a Weekend.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:55 PM 14 Online