

RADIO SOCIETY OF TUCSON

Board Meeting Minutes

04/09/2019

I. Call to order

The Board meeting was called to order at 5:38 PM 04/09/2019 by President Richard Schmidt K7NSW.

II. Roll call

Rosie Paszkiet KG7QWR conducted a roll call. The following Board Members were present:

President: Richard Schmidt K7NSW

Vice President: Gary Keck KE7DX*

Secretary: Rosie Paszkiet KG7QWR

Treasurer: Donald Ernle KD7UIZ

Owen Watson AK7W

Joe Statkevicius K3TYE

Bill Wilson AE7YQ

*Indicates not present

III. Old Business

- a) Hamfest-Liability insurance policy – Don KD7UIZ has taken out a policy with State Farm. Afterwards he found out that ARRL has insurance policies for Ham radio people. This coming February the Club will address this insurance again, possibly raising the amount of coverage and switching to ARRL.
- b) Field Day – Richard K7NSW is working on behalf of RST with David AC7DS, CRC Chairman to make FD a success. If we are not able to be on the Mtn due to weather conditions CRC will be at their site and we will need a Plan B. Looking into PECOC building again.
- c) Youth Ham of the Year – Rosie KG7QWR shared the nominating paperwork for Board approval and President Richard Schmidt K7NSW signed it. Paperwork will be emailed to ARNewline this week.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Treasurer's Report – Don KD7UIZ stated the following: we have \$3,076 in cash on hand, \$4,380 PayPal, \$3748 Chase checking, for total of \$10,304. We made \$277 from the Hamfest and received donations from selling radios.
- b) Hamfest – Review- Is the purpose for having a Hamfest \$\$ or Social? Unanimous that this past Hamfest was a great and huge social event! We did not receive our ARRL Hamfest package. We will be acquiring a large raffle ticket tumbler for all our raffles to ensure no improprieties. There is no urgency to be off the premises by 11 a.m. At Club sponsored activities, people doing the work will have lunch provided at the appropriate time. This was approved by the Board unanimously.
- c) Fall Hamfest –Richard K7NSW will be our generator guy, Don KD7UIZ our committee chairman is asking for more help from the Membership. He has 26 items that happen for Hamfest. It was mentioned that the ARCA website page does not have the correct date on their advertisement. Joe K3TYE had a sample of the Tucson Autumn Hamfest flyer!!
- d) AZQSO plaques – price increase for 2019 will be \$50 was \$45.
- e) New RST Repeater – Don KD7UIZ-146.820is now at 22nd and Alvernon Way, with auto patch, higher elevation for the antenna and new hr line. Discussion then moved to RST converting our repeaters to 100% solar, and using battery backup. Don moved that we convert our repeaters to 100% solar power, it was passed unanimously. RST is a big club serving Arizona, and to make our mark in this community it was suggested that we install beacons; fire destroyed the 2-meter beacon that was in Summerhaven on Mount Lemmon. Don KD7UIZ will be the contact person for VHF/UHF beacon installation.

V. ADJOURNMENT

President Richard Schmidt K7NSW adjourned the meeting at 6:28pm.

Minutes submitted by: Rosie Paszkiet KG7QWR