

# Radio Society of Tucson

## Board Meeting Minutes

### 02/02/2021

#### I. Call to Order.

The February RST Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM on 02/2/2021 by RST President Joe Statkevics, K3TYE on ZOOM.

#### II. Attendance.

President: Joe Statkevics, K3TYE (Checking in from Norwalk, CT)

Vice-President: Dick Jones, W0PZD

Secretary: Jake Orvin, KC0MSJ

Board Member: Brenda Holman, N3QVK

Board Member: David Holman, AC7DS

Board Member: Bruce Betterley, WA1BZQ

Board Member: Owen Watson, AK7W

Board Member: Marcia Burcham, KF7DYW

Immediate Past President: Gary Keck, KE7DX

ARCA Representative: Alan Komenski, AC2K

Laurel VE Test Liaison: Diane Zimmerman, AA3OF

Visiting Member: Richard Schmidt, K7NSW

Visiting Member: Randy Burcham, KD7KEQ

Visiting Member: Fred Frensch, WG7FRD

Visiting Member: Barry Enders

Visiting Member: Steve Lane, KY7K

#### III. Old Business.

Treasurer's Report - RST Treasurer Don, KD7UIZ was absent.

Revision of RST Constitution to Eliminate Life Memberships. President who volunteered for this task was a little behind and asked to put this off until March.

Discussion on money owed to Henry Zappia

- \$85 a month for electric. We have a PDF of the document for the agreement.
- We have the total amount in the minutes of the month we stopped. Around \$1800
- Why it was stopped, there was a storm in 2018. We stopped but never started when the repeaters started working
- There was a bill we paid for fixing it \$2000 at the beginning of the fix.
- \$1059.93 owed to them. Owen AK7W and David Holman are the knowledgeable ones
- There is also a forest service fee that we pay
- Owen AK7W will supply a itemized bill

#### IV. New Business Feb 2021.

- Liability insurance
  - We will have our insurance run out on March 19
  - We will purchase ARRL a few days before
  - All consent except token nay from Owen
  
- March Hamfest
  - Website needs updating. Joe will provide latest hamfest information to David, AC7DS so David can update the website.
  - Bruce questioned about VE testing. Dick says there isn't any interest from VE volunteers to conduct a testing session at the hamfest. Board voted to not have VE testing at the hamfest.
  - Jake volunteered for vendor parking. Need volunteers for on site ticket sales, and setting up electronics, and other hamfest related jobs.
  
- Gift Memberships
  - Discussion about the addition of memberships like gift cards.
  - Need to consult first with Treasurer Don.
  - This has to be set up on the RST website with PayPal as the mechanism.
  - David willing to adjust website once the proper information is provided.
  
- Yearly Budgeting
  - We should start a budget for the year covering the March hamfest, June Field Day, September hamfest.
  - Historically has budgeted \$500 for Field Day.
  - Action item for next meeting with budget sent a week ahead of time. Don and Joe to work this issue.
  
- Public Information Officer
  - Dick suggests that Bruce is doing most of this as a liaison.
  - Richard Schmidt indicated that this may be a bigger assignment than most assumed. RST sometimes invites public officials to some of our events.
  - Randy used to be one and suggests we continue as well. Alan also mentioned he was in favor of the idea.
  - Motion to have a POI by David. Bruce seconds it. Alan suggested appointed by board and Jake seconds. A vote was taken with five "for" and three "against".
  - Joe asked for a volunteer for PIO and Randy said he would take on the task.
  - David suggest a description of the public information officer emailed before meeting. Randy and David get info to Joe

- Club and website improvement ideas with no action necessary at this time.
  - Conduct classes for Technician Class, and upgrade classes for General Class and Amateur Extra Classes once every quarter.
  - Add to the RST web page “THIS WEEK IN AMATEUR RADIO podcasts.”
  - Add to the RST web page “The AMATEUR RADIO NEWSLINE”
  - Add two countdown timers, one for the next monthly meeting and another for the next hamfest.
  - Raffle more Target Store and Ham Radio Outlet giftcards.
  - “Mail a letter on RST stationary requesting membership to Tucson's Largest Radio Club.”
  - Richard wants to include the webmasters prior to going forward with this.
  - David is good with it as long as he knows content and how we want it to look.
- February Presentation
  - RF radiation safety by Carl Foster
  - If there are any people wanting to present. We as a board need to suggest them to Dick (VP)

#### Additional new business

- Alan brought up ARCA will be sending \$100 check for getting through COVID
- Richard suggested Budget addition: RST donate \$250 to Northern CA DX foundation

Motion to adjourn by Jake and Seconded by Owen

Ended at 7:38 local