

C.A.R.E. Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2018

Call to Order:

- 1) Joseph Clarke W3JVC brought the meeting to order at 6:30pm
- 2) Outgoing board members: Recognized outgoing members Rob Duncan N7RFD, Secretary, and Bill Duncan K7WGD, Member at Large
- 3) Recognition of new board: Joseph had the new board come to the front where he introduced each board member: Bruce Cook KG7TUO, Vice President, Debbie Dill KI7ENG, Treasurer, Darrell Barker N7CZX, Secretary, and Members at Large Amy Haptonstall AG7GP, Bill Martin N7EU, and Johnny Jones WA6RHK and Public Information Officer Curt Hadley KF7VZV.
- 4) The President awarded a lifetime club membership to Johnny Jones with a one year ARRL membership.
- 5) Recognition of Visitors – If you aren't a member, you are a visitor. Joseph went around the room introducing the guests. There were 5 present.
- 6) Joseph and Curt recognized Carrie Bishop KD7HSD as the person whose license plate was turned in the most number of times for club invitation.
- 7) A Certificate of Recognition was given to The New Far East Restaurant for their kind use of their meeting room for our club meetings.

Old Business

- 8) Secretary's Report - Darrell N7CZX: Darrell read the report. Motion was made to approve and was seconded. It was approved by a show of hands.
- 9) Treasurer's Report - Debbie KI7ENG: Debbie gave the current treasurer's report and provided the amounts in each account. She will provide the Treasurer's Report form at the end of the meeting. This was received after the meeting was adjourned. The motion was made to approve the minutes as read by Darrell N7CZX. Approved by a show of hands. The Treasurer's report reads thus:

a. Beginning Balance	\$2243.42
b. Less Special Funds	<u>\$685.56</u>
c. Adjusted Available	\$1557.86
d. Receipts	\$377.00
e. Expenses	<u>\$311.00</u>
f. Total Closing Bal	\$1623.86
g. Special Funds	
h. Field Day	\$268.99
i. Classroom	<u>\$416.57</u>
j. (c) Total Special Funds	\$685.56
- 10) License Class Report - Curt KF7VZV: Curt spoke about past classes and the search for a new venue. The Smullin Center is going to start charging \$20 a month. That would lock us into the Sunday use. We are still pursuing The Manor and the New Far East Restaurant (both in Medford and Talent).
- 11) Holiday Party - Darrell N7CZX: Darrell summarized the Christmas party, stating we had 37 people show up and had no food left at the venue. Everyone seemed to have a wonderful time.

New Business

- 12) Dues and Membership + Option – Darrell N7CZX and Debbie KI7ENG: Joseph introduced Alan Taylor K7GT, the President of RVARC. He then introduced the idea of having a joint membership for the two clubs at a reduced rate. The options are to join only one club for the regular rate or both clubs at \$15 each, \$30 total. Curt KF7VZV described the membership application with changes noted. Darrell made a motion to accept the membership application as changed by Curt with the exception of the reduction in dues in July, which would be removed. The motion reads: New membership dues shall be \$20 (\$25 for family) \$30 for Dual Club Membership. Members joining in November or December shall be considered paid members for the following year, and shall pay the full membership dues. Motion seconded and passed by a show of hands.
- 13) Newsletter - Do we still want a newsletter? If so, someone needs to volunteer. Joe Gunderson AF7GN is swamped and cannot get back to it for at least a month. Chris Duncan N7CGD proposed that we just send out an email pointing to the website. Curt made a motion that “in lieu of a newsletter we should have an email pointing to the website when updates occur”. The motion was seconded and approved by a show of hands.
- 14) Website - Curt KF7VZV: When we first set up the website we were given 3 years hosting for \$81. This plan expires 2/12/18. The domain names expire at the same time. However, renewing the hosting of the plan would be \$433 (not including the domain registration). An alternate proposal would be to go to Weebly.com which would only charge \$144 minus 33% for the hosting for one year (\$96.48). The domain registration would be free for the first year then \$26.95 per year for the next 2 years. This new site would allow us to post many different items along with a password secured section. Motion was made by Curt KF7VZV to move our present website to Weebly.com for one year of hosting and three years domain registration of CareHamRadio.com for a total cost of \$150.38 and not renew the KG7JPA.com domain name. The motion was seconded and passed by a show of hands.
- 15) Yahoo site - Bill N7EU: Bill spoke about the Yahoo Group suggesting that the club join the existing group. Membership is free.
- 16) Pear Blossom Festival discussion - Niquita N7LUD: Niquita was at the parade last year. She felt it would provide great exposure for the club with Johnny’s bright red pickup pulling a flatbed trailer loaded with radios and antennas with banners on the side describing the club and activities, with our website on the banner. Cost would be \$75 for the float entry fee, plus the cost of a banner, possibly around \$125 each. It could possibly (and has in the past) be rained out. The deadline for the entry fee is March 24. They would provide some coverage on TV. Estimated costs are at least \$300 plus. Discussion and decision deferred until next month.
- 17) Suggestions for 2018 presentations Items for possible presentations: Satellite with KL1XI and Lyle WB7VUF, JCARES by Steve KW5V and Crystal N5LEQ, off grid aspects of ham radio.
- 18) Net Discussion - Darrell N7CZX: Darrell gave a short description of the direction the 2 meter net is headed.
- 19) Last Call for Raffle Tickets

Break

- 20) 7:30 Raffle Drawing Carrie Bishop KD7HSD won the Signalink.
- 21) Presentation about RemoteHams.com – Joseph W3JVC and Darrell N7CZX: Joseph and Darrell gave a presentation about Remote Hams. This is a radio that is connected to the internet, allowing one to connect to the radio from any location with internet access. The demo showed the software needed and then actually connected to Darrell and Joseph’s radio/computer system. A computer tablet was passed around that had the program running and people actually got hands on experience with operating the

radio in real time. Unfortunately the bands were quiet enough that nothing was heard except some very faint phone traffic and cw. Darrell transmitted but nobody responded.

22) Adjournment: It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 pm. Voice vote approved.
Meeting adjourned.

Submitted by:

Darrell Barker N7CZX, Secretary