

YCARS April Business Meeting Minutes (2018)

Meeting: Thurs. April 12th, 2018 - 7:30 PM, 27 were attendance.

Darcy Pach, KE4PLT, Vice-President of the club brought the meeting to order. Darcy Pach, President, John Gendron, Vice President, John Sneed, Treasurer, Wayne Reeves, Facilities and Brent Case, Secretary were also in attendance.

- Darcy mentioned the file caddy slots on the left side that contained membership forms, YCARS Informational Sheets and Sign in Sheets.
- Darcy reported on two new antennas' installed outside donated by Bill Manheim.
- Darcy reported some successes by Wayne in the past few months including the water and gas leak fixed and all the bugs swept from light fixtures.
- John Gendron talked about a silent key that lived in Fort Mill and visited the club last year and passed away Thanksgiving morning. He was from Norway and died of pancreatic cancer. John was asked to help take down his antennas and was asked to sell them and have \$650 donated for the radio fund. His widow also donated some books to the club for the members to have.
- Treasurer report was given by John Sneed and was approved by the members.
- Darcy said a first quarterly budget report is going to be prepared.
- Minutes were read by Brent Case for March Business Meeting and approved by the members.
- John Gendron talked about installing a card reader on the back door and distribute cards. Another one will be installed on the radio room as well. This will allow us to track coming and going access at the clubhouse.
- Brent created a check list that will be posted at the door on what to check before leaving.
- Mike Keziah asked what the combination is to the front gate. Darcy revealed the code and John Gendron suggested to squeeze the lock as you enter the code and it will pop open.
- Discussed getting a wireless service to provide real-time video monitoring with integration with the doors security system. Richard Marby volunteered to investigate such a system.
- Darcy reported he had the military mast in his garage and was doing some minor repairs. He would need help getting it to the club.
- Darcy talked about the upcoming 13 Colonies Week-Long special events stations during the week of July 4th. If anyone is interested in getting training on making contacts, John Gendron volunteered to help anyone needing it. Just call him.
- Darcy reported that there are new VE's in the club. Brent will be giving a presentation on the VE system in May.
- Brent Case will be teaching a Technician Class starting May 22 from 7-9 pm in preparation for June 16 VE Test.
- Joe reported that we had program meetings scheduled up to June. More volunteers are needed for July, August, September and October.
- Brent talked about the Red Cross Shelter Exercise happening, Saturday April 14th. If you want to see how a Red Cross shelter is deployed, come on over anytime from 10 AM – 2 PM. It will be at the West End Baptist Church, 1727 McConnells Highway, Rock Hill, SC. We will have a Ham Radio station there and will call a special net on the **147.225 + (pl 110.9) Repeater at 11 AM.** (not the YCARS K4YTZ repeater).
- John Gendron talked about the vote last meeting where the club chose to purchase two radios. Tonight, we need to decide what brand and model radios to purchase. John, Andy, and Bill came up with three packages to vote on and gave a presentation on each choice: 1 Yaesu FTDX 3000 and 1 Icom 7300, 2 IC-7300's or 1 Kenwood TS-590SG and one IC-7300 with various accessories as the budget allowed. The club voted by secret ballot and the club chose to purchase the Yaesu FTDX 3000 and IC-7300. It was determined to purchase before Field Day and possible look for discounts during Hamvention in Dayton.
- Barnes talked about donations from Ronnie, KJ4COE from a Ham in Kershaw for the Radio Museum.
- 50/50 was held and Walt Palmer