# AMATEUR RADIO COUNCIL OF ARIZONA (ARCA) MEETING MINUTES December 5, 2009

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Location: Mesa Hamfest, Mesa Community College, Mesa, AZ

#### Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 11:07AM by chairperson Rick Aldom, W7STS. Board members present were: Rick Aldom (W7STS), 2<sup>nd</sup> VP Grant Hays (WB6OTS), Treasurer Chris Keasuer (N7PVL) and Past Chair Cliff Hauser (KD6XH). 1<sup>st</sup> VP Lee IIse (KD7OED) and Secretary Randy Malick (K7FOX) were absent. An attendance sheet was circulated and signed by the delegates and visitors who were present.

**Reading of the Minutes:** Minutes from the October 17, 2009, ARCA meeting held at Old Pueblo Radio Club Hamfest in Tucson, AZ, were read. Tom Fagan (K7DF) noted the call sign of Cliff Hauser was incorrect and moved to accept the minutes as modified (correction of the call sign for Cliff Hauser), 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jack (KC7DUU) and *passed unanimously*.

# **Treasurer's Report:**

Treasurer Chris (N7PVL) distributed the Treasurer's Report and briefed the financial status of ACRCA. Motion by Clarke (KI7TU), 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob (N7INK) to accept Treasurer's Report. *Passed unanimously*.

Chair's Report: NTR

Past Chair's Report: NTR

# 1st Vice Chair's Report:

Lee/KD7OED not present.

# 2nd Vice Chair's Report:

Grant/WB6OTS reported Lee (KD7OED) was unable to be present due to illness but he continues to work on alternatives for the ARRL AZ State Convention.

# **Section Manager's Report:**

Tom/K7DF reported ARRL Southwestern Division Director Dick Norton has stated it would ok with him if the 2012 ARRL SW Convention to be held in conjunction with one of the scheduled hamfests such as Mesa, Scottsdale, etc.. Norton said could just add features such as DX forum and other HF topics. Tom stated he would accept a letter stating that a club would expand its swap/ham fest to accommodate the SWDC in 2012.

He also reported he had visited 5 potential venues for the AZ State ARRL convention, but none of them were able to provide the facilities and dining which the Mesa Convention Center offers. So still working this issue.

#### **Frequency Coordination Report:**

Repeater Coordinator Chair Lance, KW7LH was not present, so no report was given. However Bob (N7INK) reported an issue still exists with CARA repeater 147.02 MHz receiving interference from New Mexico. He would report this to Lance.

## **Old Business:**

No issues discussed.

**New Business:** Approved the following Hamfests:

Scottsdale Spring Fest, Ft. McDowell, 13 March 2010 Motion Carried.

Prescott Hamfest, 29 May 2010. Motion Carried.

Thunderbird Westfest (January 9, 2010). *Motion Carried*.

Chris (N7PVL) suggested ACRA help Jim Pierce with storage expenses of the ARCA golf cart. Motion by Jack (KC7DUU) to pay \$15 per month, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Bob (N7INK). *Motion passed with Clark (KI7TU)* abstaining.

Allen (W7AS) announced a new school amateur radio club has been established at Mesa Community College with the call sign KM7CC. The public will be engaged in promoting amateur radio by sponsoring license classes, participating in emergency communications and other amateur associated activities. Allen asked for the waiver of the usual ARCA new club membership fees as the new club did not have the funds. A motion by Jack (KC7DUU), 2<sup>nd</sup> Clark (KI7TU), to waive the usual membership fees for KM7CC based on the mission of the club. *Motion Carried*.

Allen (W7AS) also asked about the possibility of KM7CC receiving an ARCA grant to assist in purchasing equipment. The school club will also apply for funding from the Mesa Community College Student Government. Motion by Jack (KC7DUU) to grant \$1,000 to KC7CC with the stipulation that a full accounting of money spent be provided at the ARCA meeting in Yuma, AZ 19 Feb 2010. Clark (KI7TU)  $2^{nd}$  the motion. *Motion carried*.

Chris (N7PVL) reported the ARCA website has been completely rebuilt and is on a new server. She mentioned the cost of the software to rebuild the website at \$99.99. Daniel Meredith (N7MRP), our system administrator, and Chris (N7PVL) both paid for copies of the software. Clark (KI7TU) made a motion to reimburse both Daniel (N7MRP) and Chris (N7PVL). 2<sup>nd</sup> Tom (K7DF). **Motion carried.** 

Tom (K7DF) reported that Norm (K7OLD) was a SK and had been a long-time supporter of amateur radio and ARCA. He also announced he has appointed Mike Floyd (W1HAT) as AZ Section PIC.

**Next ARCA Meeting:** The next ARCA meeting will be the Yuma Hamfest, 1100 hours on 19 February 2010.

### **Motion to Adjourn:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Tom (K7DF) and seconded by Jack (KC7DUU). *Motion Carried*. The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 12:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Grant Hays WB6OTS 2nd Vice-Chair

#### In Attendance:

Rick Aldom	ARCA Chair	Grant Hayes	ARCA 2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair
Christine Kesauer	ARCA Treasurer	Dave Hall	MARCA
Jack Koeckes	YARHO	Clifford Houser	TRA
Gary Keck	Visitor	Steve Kafka	Explorer Post 599
Bob Hollister	CARA	Randy Hatfield	Superstition ARC
Allen Sklar	MCCARC	John Lanza	Visitor
Dave Finell	SARC	Gary Hamman	AARC
Ed Nickerson	SARC	Lori Cripps	AARC
Bonnie Nickerson	SARC	Mike Floyd	AZ PIC
Rick Paquette	SARBA/CARBA	Ying Hsu	
Clark Jones	ARA	Tom Barry	SARC
Tom Fagan	CRC/ARRL	Jeremy Krestor	MCCARC
Jeff Hanna	YARC	Myrna Cross	Superstition ARC
Melinda Wilson	ADAW	Roger Buel	TBARC