

**Lower Columbia Amateur Radio Association
Business Meeting Minutes for
February 28th 2018 (Rescheduled from Feb. 21, snow delay)**

**Special Note: President Mike – N7DQ is out of town,
Vice President Jeff – KJ6ERT will be conducting tonight's meeting.**

Call to Order: 1900 Hours
Pledge of Allegiance: VP Jeff KJ6ERT Led the flag salute.
Visitors: None noted on sign in sheet.
Members: 17 Attending

Reading of Minutes: Vice President Jeff - KJ6ERT called for approval of the minutes, as written from the January 17th meeting. Randy - NU7D made a motion to approve the minutes, Jeff – KB7PMO second the motion, all in attendance approved and the motion was carried.

Correspondence: JJ – W7BO stated that we received a card from Judy Robins, other than that nothing new.

Officer's Reports

President: Mike – N7DQ not present at today's meeting.

Vice President: Jeff – KJ6ERT stated nothing new to report.

Treasurer: JJ – W7BO stated that new officers have signed the bank registration cards with the exception of President Mike – N7DQ. All bank accounts are in good standing, with ACS holding the majority of funds. In regards to the monthly bills, the electric bill has gone down due to the new thermostat installed by Keith – W7DKO. The water bill has been going up each month and there is no reason for this other than a leak in the system. Randy – NU7D during this meeting went to the water meter and checked it. Randy stated that the meter was running in an “off and then on” state indicating that we may have a leak somewhere in the water line. Further investigation will needed to be done, and a report given at the next business meeting.

Trustee: Butch – AE7KJ stated nothing new to report.

Secretary: Lloyd – KI7KMJ stated nothing new to report.

Officer's Reports Continued

ACS: Randy – NU7D stated that ACS had transported emergency personal and patients to the hospital for Kidney Dialysis. During the four days, ACS had logged 285 miles and 54.75 hours. Randy had nothing more to report.

Old Business

Field day; a director still has not been found for the event. As reported in previous meetings the event will be held on the same weekend as Tour De Blast. During this meeting it was determined that before a decision could be made as to weather or not to cancel Field Day, it would be a good idea to know just how many people would be attending. The location was also discussed, because it might be possible to hold the event at the LCARA club house. Randy NU7D stated that he would send out an email to all club members so that a tally of how many members would be attending could be determined. Depending on the number it will than be determined if we need a director to move forward with the event.

Tour De Blast; as stated above, this event will be held on the same weekend as Field day. With the email Randy - NU7D is sending out he will also find out how many will be attending this event.

Club 70th Anniversary; ED – KC6WCT has been working on the details and a date of May 30th 2018 has been established to celebrate the event at the LCARA club house.

ACS Meeting change; the meeting has been changed to the first Wednesday of the month. I would appear the the change has happened without a problem.

Fred Myers Rewards; JJ – W7BO has spoken to a Fred Myers Representative and there are a lot of restrictions involved. LCARA would have to apply for a rewards card. Club members would then attach their personal card with the clubs card. Furthermore the club would have to change its classification to a 501C3. The cost of witch would be around four to five hundred dollars. Further discussions will be needed to see if this is something that all club members will want to do to raise money for the club. The reason for the rewards program is to generate funds for the club.

Old Business Continued

Potato Bar Planters Day June 16th 17th 2018; Carl – K7ECW was not present however JJ – W7BO stated that a spot will be reserved at the event. At least one person per shift will be required to obtain a food workers health card. The potato bar will be required to follow health rules for serving, and maintaining a clean work area. Safeway will probable be supplying the potatoes, all other equipment will be provided. The club needs to provide a sign up sheet to see how many people will volunteer, three shift are need. All proceeds from the event will go to the club.

Dues; all dues are to paid by the February club meeting. If a members club dues are not paid the member will loose their door code and all other club privileges.

RFI Project; no update at this time.

New Business

ACS; May 3rd 2018 from 9:00AM to 3:00 PM. about nine to fifteen hams will be needed. The Evacuation Drill will be held at the Kalama School in Kalama Washington. The Communicate Van and two UAV teams will be needed. The drill will have all students evacuate and reassemble at the stadium. Twenty students will be picked as students to be reunited with their parents. The drill is a way to demonstrate what will happen in the event of an actual emergence.

ACS will be holding at the end of May a Moc Search. Randy will be sending out more information by email.

Good of the order; Nothing stated

Adjournment: The motion was given by Jeff – KB7PMO and seconded by Butch – AE7KJ The motion was granted and we adjourned at 18:53 Hrs.

50/50 Drawing: A total of 35.00 dollars was received, the Winner Lloyd – KI7KMJ received 17.00 dollars.

Minutes report was submitted by Secretary:
Lloyd Plourd KI7KMJ