

Approved Minutes

March 3, 2011

TARC Board of Directors

- I. Call to Order
 - a. President Bill Bode, N4WEB, called the Board of Directors to order at 7:07 pm.
- II. Roll Call - a quorum of 7 members were present.

Board Member	Call	Present	Absent
Bill Bode, President	N4WEB	X	
Mike Fletcher, Vice President	NI4M	X	
Biff Craine, Secretary	K4LAW	X	
Cindy Feuer, Treasurer	N4CDF	X	
Bart Houser, W4DUG Trustee	AF4TK		X
Keating Floyd, N4TP Trustee	KC4HSI	X	
Jim Gerhart (3 yr - 2012)	WA3DIT		X
Jodi Pecoraro (3 yr - 2012)	KI4FWJ	X	
Larry Gispert (3 yr - 2013)	KR4X		X
Dan McDonald	KA2TOC		X
Carl Shawver	W4EIB	X	
Total		7	4

- III. Officer's Reports
 - a. Secretary's Report
 - i. The minutes of the February 3, 2011 meeting of the Board were distributed by Biff, K4LAW prior to the meeting. There were no changes noted. Upon motion by Biff, K4LAW, and second by Keating, KC4HSI, the minutes were approved.
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. Cindy, N4CDF, reported that funds on hand totaled \$3,113.16. A copy of the revised Treasurer's Report is attached to these minutes. Biff, K4LAW moved to accept the Treasurer's Report, Jodi, KI4FWJ seconded the motion which passed without objection.
 - d. Trustees Reports and General Business
 - i. Both Trustees were present and supplemented these discussions. Biff, K4LAW noted that HF Trustee Bart, AF4TK was recovering from double by-pass surgery and would not be in attendance.
 - ii. It was also noted by Cindy, N4CDF that Bruce AJ4JW had become a silent key. It was discussed that club members who have become silent keys should be memorialized better than we are currently doing. It was consensus of the group that the silent key section of the website be updated

to reflect silent keys, and pictures included to the extent possible. It was also agreed by consensus that the club should take up a collection for the family at the next regular meeting.

- iii. Keating, KC4HSI reported no success working on the receive issues currently plaguing the 147.105 repeater. Also noted that the 443.025 repeater had gone off the air this afternoon. Bill, N4WEB reported a work detail that would be gathering at the EOC to address the 147.105 issues and the 443.025 machine has likely tripped a GFI plug and needs to be reset. If that problem persists, replacement of the GFI plug will be looked at
- iv. Biff, K4LAW reported that in his last correspondence with Lu, W4LT regarding the Microham relay box, Lu, W4LT was going to attempt a suggested trick by the Microham dealer Joe, W4TV, to attempt to unstuck the two relays that appear to have been fused as a result of the August event. Until the switch box is replaced and the band decoders re-installed, the 40 meter beam will be dedicated to position A and the 20 meter element on the C31XR will be dedicated to position C. The other antennas including those on the front tower are fully functional and may be accessed via the patch panel.
- v. Bill, N4WEB reported Joe, K4TJO had been given some funds (\$100.00) needed to check out the two surplus generators prior to listing them on Smokestack.com.
- vi. Following discussion of the need for and the desirability of keeping the remote truck parked on the club grounds, Bill, N4WEB moved to check out the condition of the remote truck and once determined, list it for sale. Keating seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
- vii. Following discussion of the club's lack of ability for PSK 31 on position E, Biff, K4LAW moved the club purchase a Signal Link and appropriate cabling to an Icom 746. The motion was seconded by Cindy, N4CDF and approved. Keating, KC4HSI expressed his concern that all lesser alternatives had not been explored. Mike, NI4M stated his opinion that the Signal Link was the right way to provide for digital capabilities with the new computers. Carl, W4EIB will order the Signal Link and cable.
- viii. Discussion on sending out the 2011-2012 dues letter resulted in the acknowledgement that the dues letter would be drafted by Biff, K4LAW and would include information on TARCfest.

IV. TARCfest

- a. The upcoming TARCfest, TARCfest XXV, will be April 16, 2011. Additional advertising on various ham reflectors will be accelerated.

V. Field Day

- a. Biff, K4LAW reported that several people had accepted positions with various aspects of Field Day. Biff, K4LAW noted that the member he had asked to be in

charge of deployment had demurred. Bill, N4WEB agreed to take on that responsibility for FD 2011. Keating, KC4HSI reported progress in getting commitments for operating facilities and the MARC unit. Biff, K4LAW reported that the Idlewild Baptist Church would be donating the use of their emergency trailer to the club for one of its operating positions at FD 2011, thanks to the efforts of Carl, W4EIB.

VI. Old Business

- a. There were no further items of old business.

VII. New Business

- a. Mike, NI4M raised an issue regarding the renovation of the bathrooms to make them more suitable for use by members and handicapped guests. After much discussion there was a motion by Mike, NI4M to make minor improvements to the bathrooms, which would include replacing the floor, toilets, removing partitions, making each bathroom a one-seater, replace ceiling tiles, investigate the walls and replace the door handles with ones with push button locks and the lever type. Biff, K4LAW seconded the motion and it was passed with an estimate of \$800.00.

VIII. Adjournment

- a. There being no further items of business, on motion of Carl, W4EIB seconded by Biff, K4LAW the meeting was adjourned at 8:18 pm.