

**Minutes of Pella Amateur Radio Club  
November 17, 2019  
Held on the air due to inclement weather**

**Present:** Justin, KEØFKF; Kevin, KBØBGU; Mike, NØMPM; Steve, WBØCHS; David, WØIM; Roger, WØZMU; Jim E, WBØURW; Bobby, KEØKES; Daniel, WØOTV; Kyle, WØKDZ and Jim, WBØURW.

**Treasurer Report:**

**Dues:**

- At discretion of club - can offer first year of dues free to new high school student or younger club members.
- Dues starting Jan 2020: \$25/year individual, \$30/year family
- First \$300 of dues will go into repeater fund for purpose of yearly repeater costs.
- Plan to file IRS 990 in late January
- No activity other than interest income

**Officer Elections:**

- President – Kevin, KBØBGU
- Vice President – Roger, WØZMU
- Treasurer – Mike, NØMPM
- Secretary – Justin, KEØFKF

**Annual Get-Together:**

Sunday, December 15 @ 12:30pm at Pizza Ranch; Spouses invited; Reserve some table space.

**Around the Room:**

**Mike:** made 8 contacts on phone sweepstakes; rebuilding tracking system for PENS; PENS – 24 kids in class, discussing sensors; building GPS clock; rebuilding 1932 Echophone cathedral desk top radio.

**Jim:** refurbishing high gain vertical trap; Pico PENS – last launch made it to Long Island and may see it in the morning before it goes over the Atlantic - using transparent balloons, discussed flights for middle school 8<sup>th</sup> grade (APRS), girl scouts (APRS), Christian high school (WSPR).

**Steve:** operated sweepstakes, looking for Canadian zones, log book of the world

**Kevin:** went to Larry Glen's Friday. Had gin pole the club can use, see Kevin if want to borrow. Shared field day photos from 1993. HF beam put up at home. Need to finish cable and then will be ready to go.

**Daniel:** listened to sweepstakes. Would like to do Winter Field Day, Jan 25-26. Need a place. Likes the idea of changing the meeting format to include educational topics. Would like to head up Elmer committee.

**Roger:** been doing some HF work

**Kyle:** listens when can during work, been in the shop a lot lately. Discussed scheduling more testing sessions.

**David:** Estate sale in Boone on 11/30, Des Moines chili feed on 11/24; shared nano VNA

**Justin:** been busy with home projects. Swapped out mobile rig.

**Bobby:** working on studying for General

**Leon:** went to Twin Cities to do Hackathon. Created digital “see and say” based off raspberry pi.

**Next meeting: Sunday, December 15 @ 12:30pm at Pizza Ranch**