

RRC BOD MEETING MINUTES 2022, AUGUST 9

By: RRC BOD Secretary Harry Hoffman, W3VBY

Attendance: John Engle, AB3SR.; Harry Hoffman, W3VBY; Nate Rosenthal, N2ADD; Joe Pietruszynski, AC3DI; Jason Potter, K3WDF; Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS; Chris Schlegel, K3ADA; and Ron Waszk, K3RJW. (8)

Absent: Janine Galiyano, K4AJZ (lost family members in flooding)

Visitors: None

This BOD meeting was held on Tuesday evening at 7:30 p.m. August 9, 2022 by a ZOOM computer meeting with BOD members present in their homes.

RRC President Joe Pietruszynski, AC3DI, called the meeting to order at 7:39 p.m.

We opened the meeting with the pledge to the American Flag.

RRC Secretary Harry Hoffman, W3VBY, had sent the preliminary July 5, 2022 RRC BOD Minutes by e-mail to all BOD Members. The final approved copy will be sent to all Board members, Rich Ahrens (W3WJC), and to Scott (KC3PCS) & Lori Scheirer, the Editors of the RRC Bulletin.

A motion was made by Nate Rosenthal, N2ADD, and seconded by Ron Waszk, K3RJW, to accept the July 5, 2022 RRC BOD Minutes with spelling corrections. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

TREASURERS REPORT

RRC Treasurer Nate Rosenthal, N2ADD, sent the Treasurers report by e-mail to all BOD members. It gave the Income Statement Covering 01/01/2022 to 07/31/2022, the Income Statement covering 7/01/2022 through 7/31/2022, and the Balance Sheet as of 7/31/2022. The final numbers were received on the 100th Anniversary Dinner. He gave a financial report on the Hamfest. Report accepted as given.

CORRESPONDENCE

A letter from Amateur Radio Newsline was received acknowledging receipt of our contribution.

MEMBERSHIP

RRC Membership Forms were received from Joe Berish, WB3ADK; Jeff Orner, WN3DX; and Larry Wolfgang, WR1B. Dues were paid and signatures were attached. A motion by Ron Waszk, K3RJW, and seconded by Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS, was made to accept WB3ADK, WN3DX, and WR1B, as Associate Members of the RRC. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote.

TRUSTEES REPORTS

W3BN – Trustee Craig W. Huntsinger, K3CWH. (not present – no report necessary)

The expiration of this license is March 6, 2026.

W3CCH - Trustee Harry Hoffman, W3VBY. (present – no report necessary)

The expiration of this license is September 16, 2024.

MEETINGS & PROGRAMS

Our Friday evening 7:30 p.m. July 8, 2022 RRC General Meeting was held at the Ag Center Main Auditorium. RRC President Joe Pietruszynski, AC3DI, presented a video on antennas.

The next Friday evening August 12, 2022 RRC General Meeting will be a presentation on a visit to the QTH of Steve Dobbs, NE3F. This will be the site of our RRC 100th Anniversary Special event station.

Ron Waszk, K3RJW, reported no Fox Hunts scheduled this month.

The FLDIGI net is doing well. It will meet Thursday August 11, 2022 on the RRC 146.91 MHz Repeater starting at 7:30 p.m.

The Simplex Test (formerly SMOTA) will be held Saturday August 13, 2022 on 146.55 MHz starting at 1 p.m. We encourage members to participate and earn their Pagoda Award by making 10 contacts.

No Pagoda Awards for this coming RRC General Meeting. Some are getting close!

We hope to sell more "Texas Peanuts" at our next RRC Meeting. The coupons expire at the end of this month. We also have our "Friends Helping Friends" fundraising ticket sale.

OLD BUSINESS

We have 92 active RRC members plus the three new members equals 95 Active RRC Members

Scott Scheirer, KC3PCS, reported on the ARRL grant program. They are not accepting applications until the end of October 2022. We need to get a proposal together. The maximum grant is \$3,000.

We talked about a balloon launch and tracking event we took part in about eight years ago. Mike Mannix, KC3DDW, was in charge.

NEW Business

We talked about having a Winter Field Day at the end of January 2023 (Jan 28-29). Daniel Boone Homestead was suggested as a possible location. They charge a \$250 rental fee. We need to check with the membership for volunteers. Could we possibly join with another club?

At our last BOD Meeting it was mentioned that we only have one HF rig and that we should possibly purchase another one to use at Field Day. An ICOM 746 was available at our Hamfest. After some discussion a motion by Ron Waszk, K3RJW, and seconded by Chris Schlegel, K3ADA, was made to purchase the ICOM 746 and power supply from Arthur C. Becker, W3JZN, for \$400. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote. Jim Nicholas, W3ITH, will keep possession of the rig and we will add the rig to our RRC equipment insurance policy.

We need to present programs at our RRC General Meetings to teach members how to operate our equipment. "What to Do and Say".

Ron Waszk, K3RJW, suggested that we invite an RRC member to our BOD Meeting each month. He believes we can get some new ideas by doing this.

Jason Potter K3WDF, wants to hire someone to climb his trees and put up wire antennas. He will let us know when he finds someone who can do the Job.

A report was given on the 13 Colonies Contest.

The next **RRC BOD Meeting** is scheduled to be held on **September 6, 2022 at 7:30 p.m.**

We plan on using ZOOM for all future RRC BOD Meetings.

The RRC ZOOM BOD meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m. (Time in session as a Board 1 hour 16 minutes)

Thank you Joe Pietruszynski, AC3DI, for helping us arrange the RRC ZOOM BOD meeting.