

Thibodaux Amateur Radio Club  
Bayou Region Amateur Radio Society, 501c3  
General Business Meeting Minutes  
May 7, 2018  
Location: Terrebonne Parish Library North

- I. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 7:15 p.m. by president George Tippet WB5PKK.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance – The pledge of allegiance was led by Mike St. Pierre (KG5TGN).
- III. Introduction of Members Present – Twenty members introduced themselves.
- IV. Board Minutes – The Board did not meet this past month.
- V. Minutes of General Membership Business Meeting – The minutes of the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting were read by acting secretary Don Bardwell WA5PRI and approved (N5OEQ/KF5NSM).
- VI. Treasurer’s Report – Treasurer Francis Boudreaux WD5CFM presented the Treasurer’s Report for April and May 2018. The reports were approved (KB5CFV/N5OEQ).
- VII. **Committee Reports**
  - a. Net Report – Mike Robichaux KC5OKP reported the check-ins on the Monday night nets have averaged 14 to 15. He stated that Richard N5OEQ would serve as net control (NCS) for the May 14<sup>th</sup> net. He asked for volunteers to serve as NCS on future nets. The suggested format template for NCS can be found on the W5YL.org website under DOCUMENTS.
  - b. Repeater Report – Mike Robichaux KC5OKP reported the 444.50 and 147.30 repeaters are functioning properly. UNO replaced the air conditioner at the site for the 147.39 repeater and it is back on the air and functioning properly. He stated that John Hartley KB7ZMD may have a standby air conditioner if needed. He said Craig KK5CM installed temperature probe at 147.390, and it can be accessed via APRS under station callsign KK5CM-3, or via link on the Repeater Page of our club website, W5YL.org.
  - c. Activity Report – Richard Barrett N5OEQ reported that the next social on Monday, May 21<sup>st</sup> would be held at Song Phi Nong located on

Enterprise Drive at 6:30 p.m. He asked for suggestions for future socials.

- d. Field Day – Miriam KG5BNH and Richard N5OEQ Barrett reported that Field Day would be held at the pavilion across from the WWII Museum on Saturday only from noon to 6 p.m. This is the time the pavilion is available to us. Richard asked for equipment or antennas that could be used for Field Day.
- e. Fox Hunt – Richard N5OEQ resigned as chair of the Fox Hunt committee due to time pressures at work. President George Tippet appointed Clarence (KC5FTL) as the new chair, pending acceptance by Clarence.
- f. Repair of Onan Generator – Mike KC5OKP reported that repair was on hold waiting on recommendations on the conditions of the winding on the electric side of the generator.

VIII. **Election of New Applicants into Club Membership**

Conny Tippet (just passed Tech test tonight) and KG5OMH were voted into club membership (KG5BNH/AD5NW). Unanimous acceptance.

IX. **Announcements**

- a. BRARS did not acquire \$3K Grant for a trailer from BCF.
- b. Donations of \$235.00 were given on GiveNOLA.org Fundraiser. An additional small amount is expected.
- c. Miriam KG5BNH is to do a presentation on ARES in June. Miriam announced there would be a Hurricane Awareness Tour in Baton Rouge on Wednesday and to see her for more information. Additionally the topic of Bug-Out-Bags was raised and this would be the topic of discussion on the ARES net on Tuesday.
- d. A Board Meeting is scheduled for Saturday, May 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. at the Library.
- e. The New W5YL.org website is up and running
- f. Mike St. Pierre KG5TGN announced that he has one more antenna for a hidden transmitter hunt for sale for \$13.
- g. Francis Boudreaux WD5CFM announced the Armed Forces Crossband operation would be held on May 12<sup>th</sup>.

X. **Old Business-none**

XI. **New Business**

a. The liability insurance policy through Hanover requires renewal on June 1, 2018.

Motion: Fund the renewal of the liability insurance policy through Hanover at \$300 +/- 10% (N5OEQ/KC5OKP). Motion passed.

XII. **Adjournment**

Motion: Adjourn the meeting (WB0LNS/KF5NSM). Approved at 8:02 p.m.

There was a presentation following the meeting by Ed Morris KZ5K "CW Training Session #2" of 3 sessions.