



**ARRL West Virginia Convention
West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council
July 16th, 2020 Zoom Convention Planning Meeting**

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC), ARRL West Virginia Convention Planning Meeting was called to order by President Greg Rinehart, N8XAQ, at 8:05 PM on July 16th, 2020 by means of Zoom communication. Greg reported the meeting Agenda, minutes of June 25th, 2020 planning meeting, and proposed Mill schedule are posted to <https://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/>, and were attached to the meeting email notifications.

Attendance (11): N8XAQ, WV8JH, KA8ZGY, K8WV, WA8YCD, N8TMW, W8IW, KD8G, W3WV, N8OYY, W3GEG.

BUSINESS SESSION:

Secretary's Report: Secretary, Ann, KA8ZGY – the June 25th, 2020 minutes which were posted and distributed, were reviewed by those present, with motion by Dan, K8WV, seconded by Jim, N8TMW, and approved.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, Jane Hardy, WV8JH: reports BB&T \$4,316.74 checking July 1st, 2020 and the WesBanco \$1,796.64 checking account was closed on July 6th, 2020 by Greg, N8XAQ and Ann, KA8ZGY with monies deposited in the BB&T July 6th, 2020 account with results of \$6,113.38. Reimbursement of \$158.89 for the new WVSARC Zoom Account (one (1) year) to Ann, KA8ZGY. BB&T checking account balance of \$5,954.49. It was moved by Dan K8WV, seconded by Dave, W8IW and approved to accept treasury report as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

2020 Convention Date(s): Greg, N8XAQ, reported as noted in the June 25th minutes, the 2020 ARRL WV Convention "ALL DAY" Zoom event will occur August 22, 2020.

ARRL WV Convention Application: Ann, KA8ZGY, reports the event changes have been submitted to ARRL HQ on June 27th, 2020 and information posted to the ARRL site.

Zoom Convention Schedule: Ann, KA8ZGY, report draft schedule posted on <https://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/>. Ann review the Schedule for each meeting listed, indicating the Note section for comments, with there being a 15 minute Break between each meeting to allow for set-up/discussion for the next presentation. A Lunch time has been set, and the Awards and WVSARC will be combined. Dan, K8WV, will contact Bud, W2RU and Bill, N2COP, to confirm their attendance for the ARRL Forum. The scheduled meetings (Days End) should end about 5:00 PM. The Auction has been removed from the convention schedule.

Zoom Account Update: Greg, N8XAQ, reported as noted in the Treasury report the Zoom Account has been established.

WV QSO Party: Randy, KD8G: reports the 2020 WV QSO was quite an event this year with many participants (239). He is still working on the entries information. There were **three (3) WV** stations and 29 WV participants. A very successful event very active as it also fell with the All States QSO Party indicating there were about 200 + participants. He continues to finalize the count. He thanks all who assisted with as needed. He will have complete report at the Convention's Awards time schedule.

2018 Amateur of the Year (AOY): Dan, K8WV, reports he will send the information to Greg for securing a plaque.

Technical Forum/Speaker: Rich Clemens, KB8AOB, not present, no changes known. Topic: Open GD77

Key Note Speaker: Ann, KA8ZGY, reports ARRL HQ has confirmed the availability of Ed Hare, W1RFI, ARRL Laboratory Manager. Topic: "Which is better for DX on 40 meters – a halfwave dipole 40 feet in the air or a ground-mounted quarter-wave vertical with 8 radials." Ed has confirmed he will be available, just let him know the time.

Booklet/Booster Page: Greg, N8XAQ, reports he will publicize Convention Booklet in .pdf format to have sent through emails and posted on <https://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/>. At this time he has received several entry pages.

Booster Page: Ann, KA8ZGY, reports has not received any Booster Page contribution to date, but will announce in the next meeting notification..

DX Forum: Ann, KA8ZGY, confirmed with Clark Stewart, W8TW & Hal Turley, W8HC. Topic: "VP6R Pitcairn Island 2019 Dxpedition". Hal indicated he will be available most any time.

QCWA: Rich Clemens, KB8AOB, not present – no changes known. Topic: Hamshack Hotline.

FORUMS / MEETINGS: Ann, KA8ZGY, will present a draft schedule for update at the next meeting. (ARRL Forum, ARES®, ARRL NTS, QCWA, Technical presentation, Key Note Speaker presentation, DX Forum, etc.).

NEW BUSINESS: None

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, July 30th, 2020, ZOOM meeting - Notification via email and posted to WVSARC site <https://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/> .

ADJOURN: There being no other business; it was moved by Dave, W8IW, seconded by Al, W3GEG, and approved by all to adjourn.

Gregory N. Rinehart, N8XAQ
President, WVSARC

Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY
Secretary, WVSARC