

## CNHARC STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING - Monday, 01/11/2016 - FINAL

The meeting was held at the Gilford Community Church

### CLUB OFFICERS ATTENDANCE

W3ATB	Tim Carter	President
KC1AAI	Glen Aldrich	Vice President
K1LQN	Tom Persson	Treasurer - Excused (Report was Submitted on 1/4/2016)
WF1V	Rich Kumpf	Secretary

### OTHER MEETING ATTENDEES

N1RKW	Adam Foley	SC Member 2016
W1JFK	Barry Green	SC Member 2017
N1VAU	Clayton Ferry	SC Member 2017
N1LT	Dick Christopher	SC Member 2017
N1RCQ	Cliff Dickinson	SC Member 2018
N1CRZ	Jim Robinton	SC Member 2018
W1DDI	Mark Persson	
N1HD	Chris Read	

Joe Wernig from the Belmont Middle School (STEM Program Teacher)

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### Frequent Attendees, not in attendance

NG1J	Frank Martin
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### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT - W3ATB, Tim**

W3ATB, Tim, called the January 2016 meeting of the CNHARC Steering Committee to order @ 7:00 PM

- Tim took inputs on WHY the January meeting went so late. Many reasons & inputs were provided including:
  - Late Start Time. Could have started on time.
  - One Member took over the meeting for 10 minutes. Could have been terminated with extreme prejudice :->
  - One planned presentation took 3x longer than the requested 7 minutes. Unrealistic time-goal set?
  - Jim's Power Pole surprise bag was missing a rabbit
  - Note: Glen's prepared topic was cut off at the end to prevent even later time
- Tim agreed to be the **TIME KEEPER** in subsequent meetings.
- Tim mentioned that the purpose of tonight's meeting was to plan out the approach and details of the 2016 Program Schedule, especially the February meeting.
- Tim will facilitate a **planning meeting** this month to plan out the March-June meetings.

### **TREASURER'S REPORT - K1LQN, Tom**

- The report was provided to WF1V by K1LQN on 1/4/2016
- Some SC members felt that Tom should host the SC meetings, all expenses paid, at his vacation spot
- Club Membership: 126 paid members
- The 2016 Financial Profit/Loss Report Summary Year-to-Date (details available on request):

Total Income:	\$ 4,281.30
Total Expenses:	<u>\$ 4,320.89</u>
<b>Net Income/(Loss):</b>	<b>\$ -39.59</b>

➤ The Financial Balance Sheet Summary - January 2016

ASSETS

Repeater Fund	\$ 871.79
General Operating Fund	1,597.34
PayPal CNHARC Account	25.00
PayPal Internet Account	25.00
Petty Cash	<u>27.00</u>
Checking/Savings TOTAL	<u>\$2,546.13</u>
<b>TOTAL Current Assets</b>	<b>\$2,546.13</b>

LIABILITIES

Opening Balance Equity	\$2,072.66
Retained Earnings	513.06
Net Income	<u>-39.59</u>
<b>TOTAL Liabilities &amp; Equity</b>	<b>\$2,546.13</b>

**SECRETARY'S REPORT - WF1V, Rich**

- Rich reported that the December 2015 report was uploaded to the club's Google drive in both .doc & .pdf format
- The SC report included a few updates which were sent back after the draft copy was sent out.

**VISITOR:** Belmont Middle School STEM Teacher

Joe Wernig who is a STEM teacher from the Belmont Middle School attended the SC meeting.

They would like CNHARC volunteers to present Ham Radio to their STEM students.

- STEM Day: Friday, April 8th
- **KCAAI, Glen**, will take the lead on this community service activity
- Student Interests include: DX Comms, Digital Comms, EM Comms
- Try to show: Repeater Ops, DX QSO, Digital QSO with waterfall
- Fingerprinting & CORY not required
- YouTube video should be pre-downloaded as it is blocked by the school's network
- Need 3 sessions to be covered. Could be the same or different.

**MEETING FORMAT**

The Steering Committee agreed on the following revised meeting format:

- Pre-Meeting: **N1CRZ, Jim**, will:
  - Meet/greet members & visitors as they arrive. He will:
  - Have them sign-in on the attendance sheet
  - Identify visitors for later follow-up
  - Sell 50/50 tickets

**GENERAL MEETING FORMAT [FIRST HALF = 60 Minutes]**

- President Opens Meeting (7PM), **W3ATB, Tim** 5-10 Minutes
  - Member Introductions (Name, Call, Main Radio Interests)
  - Makes Comments (incl: 50/50 purchase reminder)
  - Treasurer's Report
  - The president (**Tim**) will be the **TIMER** for each meeting segment to make sure we don't go over-time.

- Keynote Speaker or Primary Activity 35-40 Minutes
  - Introduces Meeting Topic
- Break with Snacks & Ragchewing 10-15 Minutes
  - Public Service Event Opportunities & Signups
  - Sell 50/50 Tickets
  - Ragchew with Other Members
- **GENERAL MEETING FORMAT [SECOND HALF = 30-40 Minutes]**
- President reconvenes Meeting (8PM)
  - 50/50 Drawing (Announce Amount, then... Winner Drawing)
  - Introduces Short Topic Presenters
- Short Topics (May include: News, Operating, Technical, Hands-On, Public Service, etc.)
  - Short Topic #1 10-15 Minutes
  - Short Topic #2 10-15 Minutes
  - Short Topic #3 10-15 Minutes

## **FEBRUARY 2016 PROGRAM**

- 40-Minute Program - TRIVIA NIGHT!
  - Moderator - N1HD, Chris Read - Will read the rules & questions to the attendees
  - Question Pool will be planned by: WF1V (Rich), N1RKW (Adam), KC1AAI (Glen), N1CRZ (Jim)
  - N1HD, Chris, will prepare: Table Number Flags & Table Number Drawing Tickets
  - Entering members will draw their ticket near the stairs, and sit at their Trivia Table
  - Questions will be multiple choice
  - Each table will have 4-8 contestants
  - The group could not decide if there was a 'PRIZE' option for the winning table(s)
- Short Topic #1
  - Ham Radio News - WF1V, Rich (News)
- Short Topic #2
  - Coax Connectors - W1JFK, Barry (Hands On)
- Short Topic #3
  - Public Service - KC1AAI, Glen (Public Service Opportunities)

## **WEBSITE - N1CRZ, Jim & W3ATB, Tim**

Jim mentioned that he would like to have more access to archived images and will add them to the current website.

Tim said he would work with Jim to give him the access he needs.

Jim mentioned that he would like to see some additions to the REPEATER section of the website, especially indicate the TX-Tones so that the latest interferer, town digital signs, can be blocked from breaking squelch when driving by.

## **CLUB PROMOTION, N1CRZ, Jim**

- Jim brought up his data analysis of hams in the surrounding towns.
- A discussion about what it would take to send out post cards to invite local hams to the club
- Everyone agreed that it was a big project with many decisions & action items
- Some items include: Card Content Creation, Printing, Sending, Follow-Up, etc.
- Jim volunteered to take the lead and move this forward to a specific proposal, and then seek funding

- **W3ATB, Tim** volunteered to send out an email to request volunteers to staff a Sub-Committee
- **KC1AAI, Glen** volunteered to create a photo-mosaic for the project if needed

#### **REPEATERS REPORT - W1DDI, Mark P**

- Mark summarized the progress & status of the repeater system.
- Current projects include programming a small PC to control the Gunstock controller
- The DSTAR Reflector is being worked on, including some help from a German club
- Ultimate CNHARC Repeater Goal: All FM repeaters linked with Microwave RF links (no internet needed!)
- Outstanding System Issue: Backup power availability is spotty (some battery, some generator, Gunstock: none)
- Covers for the microwave dishes are needed to eliminate icing. Cost is \$13 each for 2 covers (\$26 to be expensed)
- **Mark** agreed to be the Keynote Speaker at the March, 2016 Club Meeting - **CNHARC Repeater System**

#### **OTHER**

- **W3ATB, Tim**, is working with Peter Stoher (sp?) on the Slow Speed Net. Few check-ins to date.
- **N1LT, Dick**, is holding a Tech training session & VE exam to the Boy Scouts on the weekend of March 4/5  
They will be using the W5YI format

#### **NEXT MEETINGS:**

- February 2, 2016 - Club Meeting (Ham Radio Trivia Night - see plan above)
- February 8, 2016 - Steering Committee Meeting
- March 1, 2016 - Club Meeting (Keynote Speaker: **W1DDI, Mark**)

#### **MEETING CLOSE**

The meeting was closed by Tim at 8:40PM