

The HARC Executive Board Meeting Minutes for February 2023

February 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 6:02pm by Tom KC8UER.
Meeting took place at Burger King in Holland, MI

Those in Attendance:

President: Tom – KC8UER
Vice President: Mike – K8WVN
Treasurer: Rich – WA8MTI
Trustee: Dave – WA8RSA
Secretary: Kaitlin – KD9NRB

Zach – KE8BSM
Bob B. – K8RJB
Tom – K8TB
Phil – K8PVH
Jeff – KD8THX
Bob R. – K8ABG
Jonathan K.

Items Discussed Year in Review:

A – VE Testing and Ham in a Day Review

- a. 1 General Session
- b. 3 Ham in a Day Sessions
38 - new techs in total
11- upgrades in total

B – OCEC – Review

- a. meetings have fully resumed to in-person and are every other month
- b. The Park to Park Run had volunteers – more needed
- c. Coast Guard Festival had volunteers – more needed

C – The K8DAA 06 Repeater – Review

- a. The repeater is doing well
- b. Needs to be renewed in June

D – E.A.T. Meetings – Review

- a. Averages 10-12 people per meeting
- b. looking for projects

- c. Starting in March – working with GoundWorks with Herrick working with electronics and technology and radio

E – Treasurer’s Report – Review

- a. HARC has about 59 paid members
- b. Budge is up from last year \$476
- d. Club is doing well in comparison both in membership and monetarily

F Trustee – Review

- a. Permission for Winter Field Day or Summer Field Day needs to go through Dave via email – per Club by-laws

G – President Tom’s Review of 2022

- a. Contests didn’t do too well
- b. Presenters are hard to come by
- c. Where do we want to go?
- d. Where do we want to be?
- e. Do we want to expand membership? Treasury? Service projects as club?
- f. Talk to the club as where we want to go or be club input needed
- g. Should we do Park-to-Park as a club?
- h. Library looks good but need back up for April and May because the library will be doing interior remodeling

President Tom’s Vision for 2023 Ideas:

- a. How many club members have a QRZ Page? Is there a way to find out?
- b. Renew Service Club – VerBiz for club website
- c. Possibility of looking into QST for the club for membership with ARRL
- d. A Library Package from the ARRL is a possibility – library books to have to be about Ham Radio specifically
- e. Parks on the Air for club – is there any interest? – club input will be needed
- f. Lighthouse on the Air is another possibility
- g. Special Events Station – Barry County has a Bicycle Race – ask if people want to volunteer for it
- h. Club Call Sign – can track information from events past?
- i. Spark in the Park in April idea – a Technology Fair – possibly at the Civic Center – local electronic shop sponsorship – needs a committee to pull it off – how do we get the schools involved?
- j. April 24th – Total Eclipse – GET GLASSES (talk to Anne)
- k. Club needs a tablecloth and banner – the club needs its banner back
- l. Have a Program Committee of some kind so that way presentations can be planned and back up plans can be made if presenters cancel
- m. Original Content creator for the website
- n. Appointing a Technology Committee – can be proposed

Club Commentary

- a. Should the club get a certificate with the ARRL? – our club qualifies
- b. General Annual Picnic would be good
- c. Post-Festivus at Pizza Ranch went well
- d. Any other ideas will be sent to President Tom

Meeting Adjourned 7:11 at pm