Minutes, NCARC DECEMBER 2024 ZOOM Board Meeting

December 2, 2024, 7 PM

provide additions/corrections to John wa6nrg@yahoo.com

1. President calls meeting to order and attendees recorded at 7 PM

All board members present except Phil W6PD. Mark N6PVI attended,

2. Old Business

- a. Minutes from November 4, 2024 board meeting were approved.
- b. Other old business? *None*

3. New Business

- a. Current Items:
- (1) 2025 Officers. Cal AI6M to report the results of the election. Thanks to Phil W6PD for his service as a board member for the past two years.

President: Cal AI6MC Vice President: Peter N6ERL Geoff KO6AKE Treasurer: Secretary: John WA6NRG **Board Member:** John KE6FIQ **Board Member:** Mark N6PVI Past President: Ken KA6SUB

(2) <u>Christmas Party December 9:</u> Ken KA6SUB reports 7 sign-ups so far on the Website. Geoff reports the Ham Clock is ready for the raffle at \$5 per ticket (must be present to win!).

The schedule for the Christmas party is as follows:

Doors open at 17:30

Members arrive at 18:00 6 PM

Eat at 18:30 6:30 PM

Brief meeting with laptop vote at around 19:00

(3) Purchase of a laptop and appropriate software has been suggested for the Treasurer. The board is approved an expenditure up to \$1,000 for purchase of a major brand full size laptop and software.

Ken KA6SUB aye Peter N6ERL ave John WA6NRG ave Geoff KO6AKE ave John KE6FIQ ave Cal AI6MC ave

Phil W6PD not present

Current bylaws require approval of up to this amount also be approved by the club members at a formal meeting. This expenditure will be submitted to the Christmas Party meeting for member approval per the by-laws. It should be noted that the by-laws specify a quorum of 40 which is no longer viable, but a vote will be taken at the Christmas party meeting. Should a member wish his vote to be recorded but not be present, contact Ken KA6SUB before December 9 and he will make sure your vote is counted.

The laptop will be a major brand, probably Dell, with minimum 14 in screen, 8-16 GB, 250-512 GB memory, with a soft case. Cal AI6MC will purchase the laptop after the Christmas meeting and be reimbursed. The accounts will be set up for W6DD with reference to the Treasurer only as necessary and passwords provided to the NCARC Board. Purchase papers will be held by the Treasurer in the event of a warranty issue.

- (4) With the removal of the large TV from the room into the church, purchase of a large screen TV has been suggested to support presentations. The board tabled this suggestion. At present, a VGA projector is kept in the safe which can be used for presentations with the screen. Mark N6PVI will make sure the external speakers are in operating order. The club will be requested to see if a member has a more modern 3000 to 3500 lumen projector with HDMI to donate.
- (5) Ken KA6SUB requested reimbursement for (5) \$10 gift cards to be given by raffle to members (present or not present) at the Christmas party based on their number of net check-ins during 2024. One ticket was earned per check-in. The board has authority to approve expenditures up to \$50 and the board approved this reimbursement Unna minus of those present. This is intended to encourage member net check-in.
- b. <u>Membership & Treasurer Report -</u> Geoff Richard K06AKE: \$6,433.85 balance, 70 members and 1 associate non-license member. 11 members paid 2025 dues. March 1 is deadline for 2025 dues.
- c. <u>VE Leader</u> Chuck KI6MC has resumed his VE Leadership. Allen James KZ6B is in the process of becoming ARRL qualified to lead this effort. Next VE test in February 2025 watch Website for details.
- d. Repeater Reports no issues
- e. NCARC Net Report KA6SUB (another net control is needed, contact Ken KA6SUB)

Nov 5 12 check-ins Nov 12 15 check-ins Nov 19 19 check-ins Nov 26 16 check-ins

f. ARES information - Peter N6ERL

Pizza party at airport Thursday Dec 5 ... see net for details

- g. Media Reports: website, Ham&Coffee Cal AI6MC nothing special, check the weekly email
- h. Facebook Report: Phil W6PD not available
- i. Presentations:
- (1) JANUARY 2025: Martin AJ60H will present Raspberry Pi and Ham Radio
- (2) John KF6DQU will be rescheduled in 2025 to present GMRS Repeaters contact any board member with a suggestion for a presentation for 2025
- j. Other business? *None*

4. Close Meeting at 2014