

Sussex Amateur Radio Association

Minutes

February 16, 2017

Sussex Pines C.C., Georgetown, DE

Meals were served prior to the meeting.

FCC Testing: Julius ("Butch") Wlaschin, WA0CIE – New Extra

Claude Holland and Harry Coxen – New Techs

20 People were in attendance.

President Dell Palmer called the meeting to order at 7:15 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

Moment of Silence

Introductions

Presentation – Dr. Paul Ross, W3FIS

Topic: The Paraset World War II Covert Radio

Paul discussed the history of covert radios during World War 2 and message encryption.

A working model of the radio was present.

Vice President's Report – None

Secretary's Report – Herb Quick

Minutes from the January 19, 2016 meeting were distributed via email and were posted on the website.

Action: Motion was moved, seconded, and approved by the membership.

Treasurer's Report – Ray Deskins

Treasurer's report from the January 19, 2016 meeting was distributed via email.

Action: Motion was moved, seconded, and approved by the membership.

Past President's Report – Chuck Betyeman

No report.

Repeater Committee – John Low

The RMS system is up and the digipeater is working.

ARES – No report

ARRL – Chuck Betyeman

- Technician Prep Class to be held at Nanticoke Memorial Hospital next weekend.
- Next event: Ocean to Bay Bike Race on April 29, 2017. Approximately 2000 entrants are expected.
- Next ARES meeting: March 8, 2017 at Sussex Tech. This is an important meeting.

RACES – No report

ARRL – Bill Duveneck

- The Amateur radio Parity Act was passed by the U.S. House of Representatives. No word on U.S. Senate activity yet.
- The Delaware Section has logged 1961 hours of volunteerism. The 200+ hours reported in QST is an error and will be corrected. All told, there were 4000 hours of volunteering in the section.

Hamfest – Vic Gumper

The hamfest committee met last night.

The next meeting will be held March 14, 2017 at 3:30 pm at the Cheer Center (Georgetown) for a site visit, then to Arena's (Georgetown Airport) for a business session.

Old Business – None

New Business

- A computer projector is needed by the club for events. The one we use is owned by the country club.

Moved: That the club expend not more than \$550.00 for a new computer projector.

Action: Motion seconded and passed.

50/50 Drawing – Drawing was held.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Herb Quick, KF3BT

Secretary