

Minutes for: Sussex Amateur Radio Association Meeting

Date: November 21, 2024 Time: 1830

Meeting was held at Mulligan's Pointe, Georgetown, DE. N3RP, Paul Ross called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm welcoming those present. Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence. The attendees introduced themselves. There were 41 present.

Speaker this month was Chris Cote, KE5NJ, who gave us information about how he is using the 'short yellow bus' (short-wave bus) to provide a mobile unit for radio contacts to demonstrate ham radio, to contact the ISS, to help scouts obtain their radio merit badge, and maybe spark an interest in our hobby.

This month there were two new Techs and one new General. Our Section Manager gave his report on ARRL efforts and advised that in order to remain an ARRL sanctioned club, 51% of our members must also be members of ARRL. The club should be checking that membership percent just after the first of the year and do what we can to keep the percentage high. We can also make some money from ARRL by holding a couple of membership drives each year. \$20 for each new member and \$5 for each renewal. ARES E.C. reported on the after action reports for the quarterly hospital exercise. AUXCOMM provided information about how to sign up to participate in the upcoming Rehoboth Marathon.

NEW BUSINESS:

Jack (K8UYC), and his wife, along with the Fergusons are the winter celebration committee and K8UYC asked for feedback on the idea of a January get together at Irish Eyes in Milton. A show of hands indicated a favorable vote. More information will be disseminated when the details are confirmed.

Election of Officers: Stu Greene, KD2LNQ, self-nominated for secretary, a motion to second the nomination from several members at once. A voice vote was unanimous 'yeahs'. The Treasurer, Rick Long, N3RLT, has asked if there is anyone who would like to assist him and be a backup for emergencies. No one volunteered. Spence NS3F nominated Jess Labosky, KC3ZIY, as Vice President, the nomination was seconded by Barbara Dean, KC3LGE and she was elected by a voice vote of only Yeas. Eric Hudson, WG3J, agreed to become President, he was nominated and seconded by Keena Ross, K3ENA. A voice vote was a unanimous Yes.

50-50 drawing number was drawn by one of our new Tech licensees... Andy Hensler. Won by Keena Ross, K3ENA.

A group picture was taken of the new Officers surrounded by the members present. It will be published in the December newsletter.

Adjourned at 9:00 pm

Submitted on behalf of Secretary.
Barbara Dean, KC3LGE