



W5AC Texas A&M University Amateur Radio Club



Wednesday, May 3, 2017

Draft Minutes from the TAMU ARC Monthly Business Meeting

President/KG5GDV called the meeting to order at 1930. Vice-President/KG5JYY, Treasurer/KG5JYZ, and Secretary/KG5LYQ were also present. There were 9 voting members, 0 non-voting members, and 0 visitors present. The quorum requirement was certified by KG5LYQ.

President's Report:

- **Elections:** The meeting was turned over to W5MHN who conducted elections for the following positions with the following results:
 - **President:** Lucas Hastings (KG5LYQ)
 - **Vice-President:** Joshua Shaffer (AG5JH)
 - **Treasurer:** Jacob Morgan (KG5SDD)
 - **Secretary:** Kyle Flaherty (KF5TZN)

All officers were voted in unanimously. Congratulations to the newly elected officers!

Vice-President's Report: KG5JYY reported on the following,

- **End of Year Social:** An email will be sent to the listserv to see if anybody is interested in an end of the year social. Since there is only about a week of school left the social is dependent on the number of relies.

Treasurer's Report: KG5JYZ presented an overview of the state of the club's finances since the last meeting.

Secretary Report: KG5LYQ reviewed the minutes from the April 2017 Monthly Business Meeting. A motion was made to accept the minutes as read and was seconded – the motion passed on a voice vote.

QSL Manager's Report: W5MHN provided the following updates:

- **ARRL DXCC:** 310 mixed entities worked, 305 confirmed and 1 slot filled in the band/mode matrix (310/305 last month).
- **LoTW:** TSPOA contacts have been uploaded to LoTW



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Club Business:

Old Business:

- **Field Day:** KG5LYQ will send an email asking who is available to help with Field Day. After a head count is taken, an appropriate plan can be made with the number of people that are available. Field Day is Saturday, June 24, and Sunday, June 25.

New Business:

- **MSC Open House:** The Fall MSC Open House will take place Sunday, September 3rd, from 1200-1600. It was decided to keep the W5AC booth inside the MSC. Consensus was that there was more traffic received inside than when outside. More will be discussed as the event approaches.

Good of the Order:

- **Shack Projects:**
 - The sodium vapor light at the front entrance of the shack is not working properly, will try to get it fixed.
 - A “paint the ground” request is needed so that summer projects at the shack can be done.
 - APRS Digipeater went down as of April 1st. Should be a relatively easy fix.
 - The back door to the shack needed a replacement, and a new one is on order.
 - The front door to the shack has gotten a replacement hinge and auto-closer, thank you to N5TLT.
- **NPOTA:** NPOTA certificates have been ordered for our Chaser Award and Five Star Activator Award.
- **ARRL Rookie Roundup (SSB):** KG5LYQ reported on winning first place for the single operator, call area 5 division. He encouraged other members to join next year and to look out for the RTTY and CW Rookie Roundups later this year.
- **Armed Forces Day:** The amateur radio communication tests for Armed Forces Day will occur on Saturday, May 13.
- **License Exam:** Bryan ARC (W5BCS) will be hosting an amateur radio license exam on June 24 at 3:00PM during their Field Day. Location is in the pavilion at Brian Bachmann Park.

Farewell Speech: KG5GDV reflected on his past two years as president of W5AC. Various events include School Club Roundup (finishing 1st and 2nd for two of them), MSC Open House, informationals and class presentations to recruit new members (many getting licensed and upgrading to general or extra!), NPOTA, weekly foxhunts, Camp Hope special event, and



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monthly meetings among others. Shack and antenna improvements include new furnishings, Force 12 antenna set up and with winches, Wi-Fi and water capability in the shack, and many others. Finally, he expressed how much personal growth and fun he experienced with the club. It has been a great two years!

Next Meeting: The September Monthly Business meeting will be at the shack on Thursday, September 14, 2017 at 1930.

Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 2010.

Program: No program this month.

Respectively submitted,

Lucas Hastings/KG5LYQ

TAMU ARC Secretary

Callsign Index:

AG5JH Joshua Shaffer

KF5TZN Kyle Flaherty

KG5GDV Yucheng Guo

KG5JYY Kevin Saygi

KG5JYZ Spencer Capps

KG5LYQ Lucas Hastings

KG5SDD Jacob Morgan

N5TLT Kevin Glueck



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W5BCS Bryan Amateur Radio Club

W5MHN Marty Nau

W5QZ Dave Gent

Pictures:



Advisor, 2016-2017 Officers, and Dave!
Left to Right: N5TLT, KG5JYZ, KG5GDV,
KG5JYY, KG5LYQ, W5QZ



Advisor, 2017-2018 Officers!
Left to Right: N5TLT, KF5TZN, KG5GLYQ,
KG5SDD, AG5JH

(KF5TZN wasn't able to make it to the meeting
so he was photoshopped in!)