

Tamiami Amateur Radio Club
Board of Directors Meeting
Saturday May 6, 2023, 1 PM (via Zoom)

BOD MEETING MINUTES

Officers for 2023;

Paul Nienaber, KN4BAR, President, **Present**
Jim Shortill, KJ4NDO, Vice President, **Present**
Gary Youngberg, W8SKI, Recording Secretary, **Present**
Frank Wroblewski, W2XYZ, Treasurer, **Present**

Directors for 2023;

Tom Babcock, K7ONE, Excused	San Yoder, K3SY, Present
Peter Boers, KV4LR (TRAVELING)	Steve Phillips, NS4P Present
Tom Shrilla, W8QJF (TRAVELING)	Brian Jacobson, W1JBD, Present
Dwight Sullivan, KT4DDS, Present	Chet Fennell, KG4IYS, Excused

Richard MacCready, KK4AHZ, **Present**

The meeting began at 3:10 PM, due to time of funeral of Jesse Snyder. SK

Review and approve meeting minutes from April 8, 2023, prior BOD meeting as published on the TARC's website.

https://tamiamiarc.org/tarc/wp-content/uploads/BOD_Minutes_2023_0408.pdf

Motion to approve the said minutes was made by Gary, W8SKI and was seconded by N4SP, Steve. The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote.

Old Business:

1. PIO ideas & Progress Report; Dwight KT4DDS

Gave information that Tom Porada was developing design and graphics of the new glossy Club brochure, mentioned panel layout. Final draft of the brochure was shown to board and board members approved of printing the brochure along with 1,000 business cards at estimated cost of \$750. Subject to approval of the membership at next meeting. Gave the date of Field Day, June 24, 2022, and mentioned that location was undetermined due to construction. This item is placed on Membership Meeting Agenda, Wednesday, 5/10.

2. Ham Reference Library; Brian K1JBD (Continued from 4/8 meeting)

Gave information that TARC library was moved to Al Cuthbert KOAL's QTH in 2015. Mentioned that Ham Radio resources at the Wm. Jervey Library are somewhat outdated, and not much shelf space available. Anticipate developing a list of current study guides. This item is placed on Membership Meeting Agenda, Wednesday 5/10.

3. Operating Account Balance. New equipment purchases; Frank W2XYZ (Continued from 4/8 meeting) Review and select new items from list distributed to board members.

Noted that \$3,600.00 is available after Vanguard Savings transaction. Further action on this item is tabled to June's BOD meeting.

New Business

1. Director Creep: 5 in 2003, 6 in 2004, 7 in 2018, 8 in 2020; Paul KN4BAR

Proposal to limit number of Directors to 5 plus 4 Officers, 9 total starting in 2024. After some discussion

board decided to discuss the proposal with club membership at the next club meeting.

This item will be a new business item to be acted on at next board meeting.

2. 2024 budget. Present at Club Membership Mtg, Sep. 2023; Paul KN4BAR
Start thinking about this. Prepare draft budget for **June** board meeting.

This item will be placed on Old Business for BOD meeting in June.

3. ARRL Club Liability Insurance rates / coverage? Frank W2XYZ

The estimated TARC club owned equipment is \$31,000.00, the new Hex Beam is not yet included in the list. Policy anniversary is in September or October 2023, list update should be completed by then. Frank W2XYZ confirmed that Equipment Insurance Rates are essentially equal between our current carrier and ARRL's insurer. Treasurer will compare ARRL premium for club liability insurance to current carrier and report back to Board. This item will be placed on Old Business for BOD Meeting in June.

4. Endorse and promote ARRL Dues increase at May 10th club meeting? Paul KN4BAR

Motion was made to support ARRL's dues increase by Gary Youngberg, W8SKI and was Seconded by Steve Phillips, NS4P. The motioned by unanimous voice vote.

5. QRZ W4AC Page now managed by Paul KN4BAR

6. TARC property management, Richard KK4AHZ

Review and approve management plan from PowerPoint outline distributed to board members.

Establish dollar value for property inventory control at \$150 per item or \$250 aggregate (e.g. filters).

Approve and implement equipment loan policy (draft distributed to board members).

A list of equipment available for loan will be developed, and tracking of loaned equipment will be managed according to the TARC Tool Crib Policy and Procedure document dated May 2023. After board discussion, the policy was amended to make the loan period 7 days, with extension of 7 days; Quartermaster has authority to approve such loans of club equipment; loans for periods greater than 14 days requires majority BOD approval. The board also decided that a "release of liability" document should be developed and each borrow required to sign same before receiving loan of club equipment. Paul, KN4BAR volunteered to prepare this document and include it in the policy and procedures for club equipment loans. A motion was made by Paul Nienaber KN4BAR to approve the forming of the Tool Crib according to the loaning policy as amended. The motion was seconded by Gary Youngberg, W8SKI and was approved by unanimous voice vote.

(See Attached TTC-PolProc.pdf & TTC-Release)

7. Conrad Owens is a longtime member and former president of TARC and is moving up north. I think we should consider him for Life Membership; Frank Wroblewski W2XYZ

Motion to grant Life Member status to Conrad Owens, WA3RRS was made by Frank Wroblewski W2XYZ and was seconded by Paul, KN4BAR, The motion was passed by unanimous voice vote. This commemoration will be placed on the agenda for TARC's Membership Meeting on May 10, and a letter with certificate will be sent to Conrad.

Any Other New Business:

Steve Phillips N4SP announced that on June 3, TARC will be conducting licensing examinations by electronic method, with two candidates signed thus far.

Will be announcing the traditional **Commemorative Last Call** for Silent Keys at May's Membership Meeting.

Next BOD meeting – Saturday, June 10, 2023 at 1:00 PM via Zoom

Respectfully submitted,
Gary Youngberg, W8SKI,
Recording Secretary