Tamiami Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting

Saturday February 01, 2025, 1 PM (via Zoom)

BOD Meeting Minutes

Officers for 2025.

Paul Nienaber, KN4BAR, President Frank Wroblewski, W2XYZ, Vice President Randy Aitken, KO4PIV, Recording Secretary Dwight Sullivan, KT4DDS, Treasurer

Directors for 2025.

Steve Phillips, NS4P Brian Jacobson, W1JBD Jack Rosen, W1JJR Chris Stape, K4PTS (ABSENT) Nancy Heinrich, N4ZM

Meeting Called to Order at 1:07 pm

Guest: Richard KQ4APW
Update on club hat order.

Jim N7JIM Field Day report

Tom K7ONE (NO SHOW)
Club Privacy and discuss options to handle it.

Review and approve meeting minutes from January 04,2025, BOD meeting as published on the TARC's website.

Treasurer's Report. Dwight Sullivan KT4DDS

Old Business:

- 1. Field Day Report. Frank W2XYZ, Jim N7JIM
 - a. Everything came together and we had a great time with great people. Lots of good fellowship and contacts. He delivered a nicely written report on the results of field day with recommendations for improvements. See the report. Total points = 29,020 (729-phone and 361 CW and Digital Contacts)
- 2. Chris Stape K4PTS. Paul KN4BAR
 - a. Paul KN4BAR made a motion that Chris Stape K4PTS be removed from the Board and Editor position due to abandonment of his positions. Steve NS4P seconded the motion and everyone else agreed. It will be brought up to the membership at the next meeting.
- 3. Hamcation. Frank W2XYZ
 - a. Currently 25 people have signed up and we need 33 to break even. We extended the deadline until we go. The board voted to proceed with the bus trip regardless of the cost to the club, due to being a week out from the trip.

4. BBQ&Q. Paul KN4BAR

- a. We have 2 people signed up and found out that the link does not go through to the proper location.
- 5. Meglathon Race Support. Steve NS4P
 - a. Steve sent several emails and no response from the Race director. We are going to assume it is a no-go until we hear something.
- 6. Pineview. Paul KN4BAR
 - a. What a great job done by all involved. A historical moment for TARC and its members. Have a few things to get finished up there. Pineview school will reach out when they are ready for us.
- 7. Shark tooth festival. Dwight KT4DDS
 - a. They have not decided on whether they need help or not. We will not spend \$600 to purchase a spot at their event.
- 8. Repeater Site. Frank W2XYZ
 - a. Climber came out and fixed the HF antenna on the Englewood tower. The climber cost (\$250) and Frank's purchase of pulley and wire, ect (<\$100) to be brought to the club membership for approval to pay. Possibly moving the North Port Repeater to another site due to no response from RJ on the installation of the tower.

New Business:

- 1. Club privacy. Paul KN4BAR
 - a. Brought up by a member about their privacy on the club website. We need to do what we can, but we can only do so much. It will be brought up to the membership and give them the option of having their personal info removed and not receiving any information or newsletter from the club. They will have to use the website to get any information. Paul will send an email to all members with the option.
- 2. New club hat order. Richard KQ4APW
 - a. TARC Hat w/o call sign is \$28 and with call sign is \$34. Paul and Rich will bring it up at the Gen. Membership meeting and get the members insight.
- 3. Excess Money. Dwight KT4DDS
 - a. Set up a Scholarship for local students involved in a STEM program. We can also donate to the ARRL program for teachers and other programs to get HAM radio programs into other schools. TARC will match up to \$500 to the organization that is picked by club members that donate towards that organization.

- 4. Credit Card Reader? Dwight KT4DDS
 - a. Dwight is looking at different CC Carriers to get the best pricing for the club since paypal has quit their current carrier. We can get a mobile reader and use it for all our events and meetings for the members to make payments right there. TABLED UNTIL NEXT MONTHS BOD MEETING
- 5. Summer Field Day Mgr. needed. Paul KN4BAR
 - a. Bring to the membership at the next meeting.
- 6. Paul is out of state 02/21-03/18. Paul KN4BAR
- **7.** VP to run March Meetings. Paul KN4BAR
- 8. Holiday party planner is needed. Paul KN4BAR
 - **a.** Bring to the membership at the next meeting.

Any Other New Business: NONE

Motion to adjourn by Steve NS4P, seconded by Nancy N4ZM at 2:47 pm

Next BOD meeting – Saturday, March 08, 2025, at 9:00 AM via Google Meet

Respectfully submitted,

Randy Aitken KO4PIV Recording Secretary