# Tamiami Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting Saturday, January 7, 2023, 1 PM (via Zoom)

#### **B.O.D. MEETING MINUTES**

## Officers for 2023;

Paul Nienaber, KN4BAR, President Jim Shortill, KJ4NDO, Vice President (Absent) Gary Youngberg, W8SKI, Recording Secretary Frank Wroblewski, W2XYZ, Treasurer

# Directors for 2023;

Tom Babcock, K7ONE
Peter Boers, KV4LR (Absent)
Tom Shrilla, W8QJF
Dwight Sullivan, KT4DDS

San Yoder, K3SY Steve Phillips, NS4P Brian Jacobson, W1JBD Chet Fennell, KG4IYS

This meeting was called to order by Paul, KN4BAR at 1:03pm via Zoom

Member Present at this meeting; Tom Porada, W4IEE

### **Items**

1. Tom Porada W4IEE proposes an outdoor picnic as a TARC club social function. Main meal to be pork loin or roast beef. Those attending requested to bring a pot luck dish to pass. Discussions mentioned a donation of \$5.00 to offset cost. Estimated total main coarse cost about \$310.00. XYL's and friends welcome.

This event could be done as a POTA Activation if done at a State Park. Oscar Shearer State Park was suggested to be the venue of the event. Will check park schedule for reservation and park guidelines. Consensus of the BOD favors the event and this item is to be placed on January's meeting agenda for planning

- 2. AV 680 Vertical Antenna, assemble and install date and plan, Paul The Club has had the antenna for about one year. Consensus of the BOD is that this project be placed on the Club's January meeting agenda for planning. Consensus of the BOD favor the event, suggesting a week- day for the event. This item will be placed on the January's meeting agenda for planning.
- Fox Hunt Event, Saturday, February 18, at North Jetty, Paul
  Discussion took place on this event, and BOD consensus favors it, and this will be placed on
  the agenda for announcement at January's membership meeting.
- 4. Special Event Station, Let's plan one, Paul. General discussion took place on event to help promote Ham Radio to include an historic venue such as the Venice Railroad Depot, Ringling Circus Arena site, Mote Marine and other local possibilities. It's purpose to put Ham Radio into public eye by means of an interesting location of this event. This item will be placed on the agenda of January's membership meeting, with Steve being its point person.
- Venice Hurricane Expo, planning and date Paul, Dwight
   The prior event of this expo was a virtual (online) event, theme is Public Safety and Readiness.
   BOD Consensus recommended tabling this event until next year.
- 6. Discuss and consider Bank of American with no fee checking balance, & Chase Bank, Paul Consensus of discussion felt our current institution has good services to our Club. Further discussion resulted in consideration of online savings with an attractive earned interest rate.

A Motion was made by Frank, W2XYZ to examine and pursue online savings certificate(s). The Motion was seconded by Steve, NS4P, and was passed by unanimous voice vote.

- 7. December Budget Report, Frank
  - Frank shared his screen with the Directors via Zoom and provided highlights for December 2022. Mentioned that next donation to the William Jervey (Venice) Library will be \$200.00, 2022. based of fees collected at the time of exams were given. See Excell file.
- 8. PIO Report, Winter Field Day, Dwight Gave information on Winter Field Day, January 28, 29, 2023, mentioned about possibly briefly using a room at the VPC for the event.
- Repeater Maintenance Committee Update Steve
   The DMR repeater had a temporary problem, but now currently working Echo Link was disrupted by a MicroSoft update, normal operation now expected.
- 10. V. E. Testing Steve

next testing session will be conducted on 1/14/2023, one candidate enrolled. Summary for 2022, 84 exams were given 76 candidates (several candidates took subsequent level tests). Donation of surplus fees will be made to the Jervey Library soon. Some discussion took place regarding the possible changeover of FCC testing from paper to online (virtual) methods,

11. Ham Radio for Youth – Paul

Patti had suggested and promoted this innovation last year, this item is tabled to have time to Study feasibility.

- 12. Future BOD Meetings, Meeting in person or via Zoom, Paul Consensus of the BOD favors BOD continue to use Zoom for its meeting method.
- 13. Club Meeting Program by Victor Shier WT9Q, "Beverage on the Ground, (BOG)" receive only antennas. (414) 588-9675
  This program has been confirmed for this Wednesday's meeting.
- 14. Other new business Paul

Mentioned Shark's Tooth 5K and 10K, as the waterway is now repaired. The date is set for March 5, 2023. The repeater designated is DMR # 9. This event will be explained and announced at the Membership meeting this Wednesday.

Tom KN7ONE made mention of donation methods to TARC and issuance of receipts. San K3SY, made additional mention of bequeath method of donation.

A sign up roster will be available for W.F.D at the USCG station.

With no further business before the Board of Directors, the meeting concluded at 3:47 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Youngberg, W8SKI

Recording Secretary

Next BOD meeting – Saturday, February 4, 2023 at 1:00 PM via Zoom