## General AARC Meeting January 12, 2016

- 1. Called to Order at 7 p.m. with 26 members present with President Ed Berkowitz presiding.
- 2. The president asked members to rise and state their name and call to introduce themselves.
- 3. Secretary's Report Asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the General Meeting from November as published in the newsletter. She presented the applications of:

Matthew Yeatman KM4KOG

Darryl Youngblood KE4HTS and family

Joshua Youngblood KM4ICH

Kelly Youngblood KB0VFX

Ernest Poole No Call Yet

Mario Gubo K4MDX and wife

Jan Gubo K3MDX

John Knight AB4XT

Their membership was approved by a unanimous vote.

4. Treasurer's Report – Don Eason for November and December combined

Opening Balance \$6,392.15

Credits \$3,171.22 Debits \$1,236.05 Balance at end of December \$8,327.32

- 5. Repeaters Report Dave offered a report for Bill Pond who was absent. Dave reported the Heard Mountain and Trump site repeater frequencies were swapped to delete some interference being picked up at Trump site. Another Yaesu Fusion Repeater was ordered and Dave requested approval for up to \$300 to be spent to get it on the air when it arrives. The request was approved by unanimous vote of the membership.
- 6. President Ed reported that a website had been set up by Bob K4DU to list all of the items donated by Harry W2HD to be sold to benefit the club.
- 7. Report of Nominating Committee: Ed announced that Dave Damon has chaired the committee with Mike McPherson and Michael Rein serving on committee. Dave presented the slate for election to include:

Ed Berkowitz – N3US

Larry Eicher – K4JZQ Vice President
Pat Crosby – K4PMC Secretary
Don Eason, Jr. – N4UVA Treasurer

Rick Oliver – W3KDR Director Education

A.J. Miller- KE4AJM Director Fundraising

Paul McKee – AK4OH Dir Public Relations

The slate was accepted as presented and no nominations were made from the floor. The secretary was directed to cast one unanimous ballot for the slate as presented.

Directors with a one-year remaining on their terms are:

Dave Damon - K4DND Director Public Services

Jim Owen – K4CGY Dir Estate Services

Bill Pond - NOWP Director Technical

- 8. AJ reported that the raffle produced \$90 for the club.
- 9. Following a call for any old or new business with no response, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Patsy Crosby, Secretary

# Minutes of AARC meeting Tuesday, February 9, 2016

Location: NRAOI Building, University of Virginia

President Ed Berkowitz N3US called the meeting to order at 7PM. Mike McPherson, KQ9P announced that the AARC website is currently down but he is working with tech support at Dreamhost, the website company, to get everything back up and running. Some things are working but not the part that relates to membership renewals on line so he suggested folks simply renew directly by mail until the website is fully operational.

AJ Miller KE4AJM our fund raiser for AARC described the door prizes available via raffle at tonight's meeting to encourage the purchase of tickets. Final tally of the sale of tickets at the end of the evening was \$75 to benefit the club.

Rob Capon W3DX stopped by to drop off a number of excess property items that he was donating to the club for raffle purposes. Ed thanked Rob for his generosity.

Our speaker for the night was Gordon Miller, NQ4K, president of the Sterling Club Amateur Radio Club who had come down from Northern Virginia to speak about the upcoming Virginia QSO Party, scheduled for 19-20 March 2016. Gordon was given the opportunity to speak early in the meeting so he and his wife could then depart early enough to travel to Richmond the same evening to see their grandchildren.

Details of the Virginia QSO party and how to participate can be found on the Sterling Park Amateur Radio Club's website http://www.qsl.net/sterling/VA\_QSO\_Party/QSOParty.html

Gordon participated in his first Virginia QSO Party in 2002. Shortly thereafter Gordon became president of the Sterling Park Amateur Radio Club and began his

involvement with the coordination of the VQP. Over the past 10 years the VQP has attracted increased number of hams in Virginia participating in this event. Gordon gave a fast paced power point presentation on the VQP event and encouraged all members of the AARC to increase the profile of Virginia throughout the Nation March 19-20.

John Porter, KK4JP videotaped the presentation and members who attended the meeting, as well as those who were unable to be present can now view that video on U Tube. John's videotaping is a good record of our efforts to educate our members as well as show others via U Tube the activities that AARC is involved in.

At the conclusion of Gordon Miller's talk on the Virginia QSO Party and his departure, Ed N3US called for **approval of last meeting's Minutes** by the Secretary. In the absence of Patsy Crosby, K4PMC, Larry Eicher K4JZQ drew the members' attention to the fact that the Minutes had been published in the February issue of the AARC monthly newsletter, the Beacon. It was moved and seconded that if there were no changes to these Minutes that they are accepted. The Minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

Ed N3US then called for the **Treasurer's report**. Due to illness, Don Eason, N4UVA had departed at the conclusion of the speaker's presentation so Larry Eicher, K4JZQ presented the following information to members:

Treasurer's Report as of January 2016:

Beginning Balance \$8,327.32

Debits: \$340.77 Deposits: \$509.89

Ending Balance: \$8,496.44

Bob Pattison, K4DU, then gave a brief talk on the results of AARC sale efforts at the recent Frostfest convention in Richmond February 6. Much of this sale effort was to help sell items from Harry Dannals W2HD's

collection of amateur gear that he no longer needed. Additional items were also sold from other used collections with the usual commission being donated to AARC. Approximately \$3,100 in total sales was made at the hamfest and club sales totaled \$1,000. Commissions to benefit the club totaled \$366.10.

Bob, K4DU, thanked all members who donated or sold equipment and/or bought at the hamfest to benefit AARC, and especially pointed out the major efforts made by Mike Gilmore, K9RVR and AJ Miller KE4AJM.

There was a general announcement of a Hamfest in Culpeper on April 9.

Bill Pond, NOWP gave his technical report on our repeater system. All repeaters seem to be working well. 146.895 At Bucks Elbow is performing nicely with the dual mode Fusion repeater. It detects and switches to digital as expected with incoming digital signal (Yaesu C4FM), and switches to analog FM upon sensing an FM input signal. 146.925 continues to be operating well at Marshall Manor, much better than the former 146.760 at that site. We still have some work to do to make audio improvements, etc., but at this time, Monday night nets are running there without problem, and it gives good coverage over the Charlottesville area. 146.760 at its new site on Heard Mountain is doing nicely as well. The linking will begin to be re-instated fairly soon, with the goal of having it fully operational prior to the beginning of the public service event "season". The newest Fusion repeater is still on order. No updates from Yaesu as to its anticipated delivery date. Our intention is to initially at least; install it at Martha Jefferson Hospital on 444.250, replacing the current Yaesu Vertex machine. It will support Fusion digital or Analog FM, so is expected to continue to support the remote base capability that currently exists at that site. If circumstances permit, we might later on consider moving it to one of our other VHF repeater sites to get more usage than it's likely to see on 444.250.

Larry K4JZQ then gave a glimpse of the upcoming program scheduled for March. Our speaker will be Col. Steve Sellers, head of the Albemarle Police Department who will be speaking to the club on the use of emergency communications and intra-governmental communication in times of emergency. Steve is also a ham operator KD4ZPF who has recently announced his retirement from the police force effective June, 2016. We hope everyone will turn out to wish Steve well in his new life.

Larry also gave an update on Field Day preparations scheduled now for the 4th full weekend in June 2016. (June 25-26). He encouraged all members to put those dates on their calendars. AARC will again have its Field Day site at the Emergency Communication Center on Ivy Road, Charlottesville, just like last year. Our thanks to Tom Hanson and Chief Mike Gibson of the UVA police force who has allowed us to utilize this site again this year.

Marty Wangberg W4MBW and Michael Rein KA4JJD both did yeoman service for us last year as co-captains of the GOTA station during Field Day. This is an important position to demonstrate ham radio to the public and allow young folks without a ham license to experience the thrill of making a radio contact. Unfortunately both hams will not be able to be with us at this year's Field Day event. We need two volunteers for these positions so if you are interested in helping the Club, please let me know ASAP. Both Marty and Michael really enjoyed their experience last year; so will you.

Following a call for any old or new business with no response N3US President Berkowitz adjourned the formal part of the meeting at 8:10PM and the people broke

into individual groups for general social interaction.

Respectfully submitted /s/ Larry Eicher, K4JZQ acting secretary in lieu of K4PMC, Patsy Crosby

#### List of Attendees:

N3US Ed Berkowitz

K4JZQ Larry Eicher

N4UVA Don Eason Jr.

K2SSB Stan Hazen

K4CGY Jim Owen

W4BXG Joe Flamini

K4OLW Jeff Heavlin

KC2PRE, Bob Fung

KK4SHO, Andrew Wiley

K4BAV, Jim Wilson

KS4NW Chuck Gross

K4DU Bob Pattison

KM4ABB, Paul Fisher

No call, Andrew McNichols

KE4AJM, AJ Miller

N4LXP, Leonard Vincent

W2PVY, Joe Giovanelli

K4THE, Dennis Mennerich

KJ4RPR, Eugene McClurken

KM4?CZ, Steve O'Connell

NOWP, Bill Pond

Visitor, Bill Walters

AK4OH, Paul McKee

W3KDR, Rick Oliver

AK4OL, Mark Whitis

John Porter, KK4JP

KQ9P, Mike McPherson

W3DX, Rob Capon

## **AARC Minutes for March 8, 2016 Meeting**

<u>General Membership Meeting</u> -- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Berkowitz at 7 p.m. with 32 members present. He called for introductions of those present.

#### **Business Meeting Called To Order**

**Secretary's report**: Requested approval of the March minutes as published in the March newsletter. Minutes were approved as printed?

We have three new members to vote into membership tonight. They are:

Robert Romanki KL4CO

Allen Ebel No Call Yet

Paul Fisher KM4ABB

The membership for all three was approved by unanimous vote.

**Treasurer's** Report: The treasurer filed the following report with the club.

Balance as of 6/31/2015: \$8496.44 Debits: \$300.58 Credits: \$1568.62 Balance as of 7/31/2015: \$9764.48

The treasurer's report was approved by a majority vote.

#### **Other Reports**

Bill Pond reported the repeaters were all back in service, and the newly repaired .925 at Marshall Manor was now operational and linked to the .760 at Heard Mt. We planned to install the link radio soon at Bucks Elbow (.895) which would re-establish the links among our 3 2-meter repeaters. (That has now been accomplished). I also reported that the newest Fusion repeater should be received soon, and after testing, would be installed, likely at Martha Jefferson Hospital.

Dave Damon, for Public Service, offered a plug for upcoming events, especially The Jefferson Cup Bike Races on April 3 and passed the clip board around for sign-ups.

Larry Eicher offered an update on Field Day preparations and invited any member interested in being on the committee to contact him.

**Program:** President Ed introduced Col. Steve Sellers, chief of the Albemarle County Police Department. Colonel Sellers briefed the members on the police communications system and demonstrated how his cell phone can be connected to the entire public service radio net – a step up from just a two-way police radio with limited frequencies. His entire presentation can be viewed from a link on our club website at: <a href="https://www.albemarleradio.org">www.albemarleradio.org</a>

**New Business:** Ed surveyed the attendees to see if there was interest in a club trip to the Greenbank Observatory. Members responded in favor of such a trip.

**Old Business:** None reported.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Patsy Crosby Secretary

#### **AARC Minutes for April 12, 2016 Meeting**

General Membership Meeting -- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Berkowitz at

7:08 p.m. with 41members present. He called for introductions of those present.

**Program:** The president introduced Tom Hanson, director of the 911 Center and an Honorary Member of the club. Hanson offered a history of the combined Charlottesville City, Albemarle County and University of Virginia Emergency Communications operations and discussed the operation as it exists today. He outlined with is ahead in technological advancements and explained the unique employment situation with the extreme stress involved with emergency communications.

Secretary's report: Requested approval of the March minutes as published in the newsletter. Minutes were approved as printed? We have seven new members to vote into membership tonight. They are: Patrice Porter – KM4RSL Matt Robertson – W1MPR Richard Thomas – K4WLK Jerry Hendricks – KA4EKD Matt Holcomb – KB3FTP John Knight – AB4XT Taylor Vierrether – KC4K The membership for all was approved by unanimous vote.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer filed the following report with the club.

Beginning Balance: \$8496.44 Debits: \$39.58 Credits: \$291.95 Ending Balance: \$10016.85

The treasurer's report was approved by a majority vote.

Other Reports Reports were presented from the Maker Faire which offered a good presentation on amateur radio and introduced attendees to ham radio.

**Bill Pond** advised that all repeaters have been linked and the .925 repeater is still noisy. He stated the new Yaesu Fusion Repeater is up and running and doing very well. Yaesu has upgraded the Fusion Repeaters already and are offering a free upgrade for those already sold. I plan to take advantage of that while we are still in the warranty period.

**Dave Damon** reported that 12 members of the club worked the Jefferson Cup Bicycle Races and earned a \$300 donation to the club. He reported the Miller School bike race will be on June 5th and the Boys and Girls Club event will be on June 11th. He circulated his clipboard for sign-ups.

**Larry Eicher** reported the Field Day Committee will be on April 30.

It was pointed out that the Green Bank trip to visit the NRAO Greenbank Observatory site will be on August 13 and everyone is invited to participate. The Northern Piedmont Emergency Net will move to the Flat Top Mountain Repeater on 145.470.

AJ Miller reported the raffle earned \$65 for the club.

New Business: None reported. Old Business: None reported.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Patsy Crosby, Secretary

## **AARC Minutes for May 10, 2016 Meeting**

General Membership Meeting -- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Berkowitz at

7 p.m. with 41 members present. He called for introductions of those present.

**Program:** A DVD was presented with Rick Roderick K5UR talking about the future of amateur radio at the centennial celebration.

After a short break the business meeting was called to order.

**Secretary's report**: Requested approval of the April minutes as published in the newsletter. Minutes were approved as printed?

**Treasurer's** Report: The treasurer filed the following report with the club.

Beginning Balance: \$10,016.85

Debits: 1,39.94

Credits: \$514.11

Ending Balance: \$9,491.02

The treasurer's report was approved by a majority vote.

#### **Other Reports**

Bill Pond offered a repeater report that the 925 is down due to weather issues but as soon as we can get up on the mountain we plan to get it back into service. .895 and .760 are still linked. Thanks to Elmer Scott his Flat Top Mountain repeater is now running fusion.

Dave Damon reported June 5 Miller School Bicycle Event needs personnel and contact him if you can help. June 11 Tour de Vine is next in line for amateur assistance.

Larry Eicher reported that Field Day is a lot of repeat from last year. We will set up tents and antennas on Friday and radios on Saturday morning. His full report will be posted on the website.

A.J. Miller listed the raffle items and urged everyone to get their ticket for the drawing.

Mike McPherson reported that he is working on a mesh node on Monticello Mountain.

Dennis Terribile reported on his return to Viet Nam to tour some of the places he remembered from his tour of duty there.

**New Business:** None reported. **Old Business:** None reported.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Patsy Crosby, Secretary

## **AARC Minutes for June 14 2016 Meeting**

General Membership Meeting -- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Berkowitz at

7:02 p.m. with 25 members present. He called for introductions of those present.

**Secretary's report**: Requested approval of the May minutes as distributed to the membership. Minutes were approved as printed?

**Treasurer's** Report: The treasurer filed the following report with the club.

Beginning Bal. 9491.02

Debits 64.72 Credits 101.07

Ending Balance 9527.37

The treasurer's report was approved by a majority vote.

#### **Other Reports**

Bill Pond reported the .895 machine is ok so far. He also reported they had finally completed repair on .075, and all of the other repeaters are working fine.

Ed reported the Greenbank trip is being rescheduled to the fall possibly mid-October.

Larry reported on the upcoming Field Day activities pointing out that Field Day is a national event involving the U.S. and Canada.

We will be using the N3FDT logging program as in the past. We will be using single side band & CW. No digital this year. He requested that anyone interested in operating to please go in on the website to sign up. Sit up will be Friday afternoon from 2 to 5 p.m. Return for radio & computer set up on Saturday from 8 to noon. We will be operational from 2 p.m. on Saturday to 2 p.m. on Sunday. He reminded everyone to bring plenty of mosquito repellent.

The communication's report was given by Paul McKee. He passed out plenty of copies of the 2 flyers for field Day and asked all members to take as many as they could distribute.

Jim Crosby (K4JEC) then gave a presentation on Field Day Safety.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

Respectfully, Patsy Crosby, Secretary

## **AARC Meeting Minutes for July 12, 2016**

General Membership Meeting -- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Berkowitz at

7 p.m. with 28 members present. He called for introductions of those present.

**Secretary's report**: Requested approval of the June minutes as distributed to the membership. Minutes were approved as printed with corrections. Three new members were placed before the club for a vote tonight. They are Michael Reedal W1MSR and Daniel Landi, Joshua Debeer. They were approved unanimously.

**Treasurer's** Report: The treasurer filed the following report with the club.

Beginning Bal. 9527.37

 Debits
 210.82

 Credits
 848.07

Ending Balance 10164.62

The treasurer's report was approved by a majority vote.

**Other Reports** – Bill Pond reported all the repeaters are working fine.

Larry reported that Field Day was good thanks to all who participated. There is always room to approve. We dropped in numbers this year because the bands really sucked. Ed suggested a post action report and that we add a beam for next year.

Ed announced the club picnic/auction is scheduled for September 24 at Darden Towe Park. The Greenbank Observatory trip is scheduled for October 15. More details to follow.

#### There being no Old or New Business the business session ended.

After a short break the business meeting was called to order.

**Program:** Alan Swinger – K9MBQ, presented a program on Home Brew Antennas.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Patsy Crosby, Secretary

### AARC Meeting Minutes Minutes for August 9, 2016 Meeting

<u>General Membership Meeting</u> -- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Berkowitz at 7:04 p.m. with 29 members present. He called for introductions of those present.

**Secretary's report**: Requested approval of the July minutes as distributed to the membership. Minutes were approved as distributed.

**Treasurer's** Report: The treasurer filed the following report with the club.

Balance \$10,164.62 Debits: \$ 314.29 Credits: \$ 146.60 Balance as of 7/31/2015: \$ 9,996.93

The treasurer's report was approved by a majority vote.

#### **Other Reports**

Bill Pond reported that Heard Mtn. went down. Wasps wanted to be at the sight more than Bill and his assistant, Jeff. He wanted to get it powered off. Controller not working. 925 did the same thing. They checked the voltage. The 76 repeater is down. Bill needs assistance from Tim to repair. Tim has agreed to go with Bill. Bill feels like we may need to either replace or look at replacing the one on Heard Mtn. Bill said we have a really good ground at Heard Mtn.

Ed announced the fall picnic would be at Darden Towe Park on 9/11/2016. The Green Bank trip is scheduled for October 15.

Jim Owen and Allen Swinger & Ed Berkowitz offered to do mentoring sessions. Just contact anyone of them for info.

Larry spoke about the UVA 4 Miler. Larry reported that volunteers are needed for the 2017 Field Day committee. We will have a Goto Station. Larry advised he was charged with finding at least 3 new locations for field day. Suggestions so far are going back to EOC, Darden Towe Park or going back to Earlysville Fire Station.

AJ talked about raffle prizes

We then had a 10 minute break.

John Porter then gave his program on ARES.

Ed announced volunteers are needed for the nominating committee.

Dave Damon, for Public Service, offered a plug for upcoming events, especially The Jefferson Cup Bike Races on April 3 and passed the clip board around for sign-ups.

Larry Eicher offered an update on Field Day preparations and invited any member interested in being on the committee to contact him.

**Program:** President Ed introduced Col. Steve Sellers, chief of the Albemarle County Police Department. Colonel Sellers briefed the members on the police communications system and demonstrated how his cell phone can be connected to the entire public service radio net – a step up from just a two-way police radio with limited frequencies. His entire presentation can be viewed from a link on our club website at: www.albemarleradio.org

**New Business:** Ed surveyed the attendees to see if there was interest in a club trip to the Greenbank Observatory. Members responded in favor of such a trip.

**Old Business:** None reported.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. Patsy Crosby, Secretary

#### Minutes of the AARC Meeting – Tuesday October 11, 2016

In the absence of club President Ed Berkowitz, N4US, the meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. by AARC Vice President Larry Eicher, K4JZQ.

Twenty-five people attended the meeting; see the attendance list of individual names.

**Visitors and new members** were asked to introduce themselves. Five folks responded, briefly describing their interests in ham radio.

In the absence of club Treasurer Don Eason, N4UVA, Larry read a **Treasurer's Report**. The AARC treasury has a balance as of today, October 11<sup>th</sup>, of \$8,726.87.

## Guest speaker, Denny Ayers, W3DRY was introduced. Denny's program topic was titled, "OSLing and DXing."

"DXing has been the foundation of amateur radio," stated Denny, as he projected slides onto the front room screen. (His projected QSL card features a B&O diesel railroad train.)

"Today, DX is still the primary facet of our hobby that holds us together," he explained. "It is the magic of ham radio," he added.

"The DXer learns how to listen carefully." Denny described himself as "a traditionalist" who still mails paper QSL cards. But he also noted the benefits of electronic QSL confirmations. Denny strongly advised, "Log every contract you make." "Use a computerized log and use universal time," he added. And, "Make sure your QSL is accurate and complete." The QSL bureau manager was described. So was direct mailing to that rare DX station. "Never put a call sign on either the mailing or the return envelopes," he cautioned. This invites stealing

of the mail with your two dollars inside. (A paper dollar is referred to as a "green stamp.") Advice on getting started with the **Logbook of the World** was offered. Log onto lotw.arrl.org/lotw-help/installation. (Check the web site <a href="www.albemarleradio.org">www.albemarleradio.org</a> for the detailed slides of Denny's notes. John Porter, KK4JP, kindly videotaped Denny's power point presentation).

"DXing is not a contest," he reminded the audience. "You need to listen and be smart," he emphasized.

Denny revealed that he uses an 80 meter wire Windom antenna with an inexpensive Heathkit SB 220 amplifier. He further suggested that a set of high quality head phoned with built in microphone, an estimated cost of \$200, are worth their weight in gold.

"Cherry pick" your stations, he advised. This is his secret for his DX contacts.

The **Beacon Network** was also explained. This system of worldwide automated receivers will let you know on its web site where your signal is being heard. Denny exclaimed, "It's neat!" "It's fun and its magic," was Denny's summary of DXing.

At this time, AJ Miller, KE4AJM, pulled winning tickets for the evening raffle.

Six raffle items included:

An ARRL Antenna Book, 1994 edition,

An Elmer Scott 440 MHz transceiver,

A frequency synthesizer,

An SWR & Power meter

A bench vise

And a light weight folding headphone set.

The raffle winners all selected their prizes and left with smiles on their faces.

AJ reports that the club collected \$48.00 from the raffle.

Bill Pond, NOWP, told us the **status of our club repeaters**. Our repeaters have recently suffered from significant problems but are now operating perfectly.

Rick Oliver presented a report on two upcoming events:

noted.

The **Jamboree on the Air (JOTA)** event on October 15 & 16 will feature the home stations of Bob, AK4BR, on Saturday and Ed, N3US, on Sunday. (This is a three day event which starts on October 14<sup>th</sup> but club participation will only be on the 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>.)

The **Mini-Maker Faire** of November 6<sup>th</sup> at Barns & Noble Bookstore at Barracks Shopping Center will be a repeat of last year's successful event. Rick is seeking five or six participants for this event. (Our participation will be on Sunday from 1:00 to 3:00 o'clock.)

Larry reminded members of the upcoming October 15<sup>th</sup> West Virginia field trip to see the Green Bank radio telescope and the cutting edge Carl Jansky Electronics Laboratory. In the absence of Mike, KQ9P, Larry also asked if anyone had info on the Nominating Committee to prepare a list of potential club leaders from the coming year. No response was

In the absence of Dave, K4DND, Larry also asked if anyone had info on upcoming **Public Service events**. Again, there was no response from anyone in the audience.

Stan Hazen, K2SSB, stated that the **QCWA quarterly dinner meeting** will begin at 6:00 p.m. on Sunday November 13<sup>th</sup> at TJ's Restaurant in the Doubletree Hotel next to Sam's Club on Route 29.

No motions were made during this exciting and informative meeting, which adjourned early, at 8:37 p.m.

These minutes' notes were prepared by Jim Wilson, substituting for our absent Recording Secretary, Patsy Crosby.

# **AARC Meeting Minutes Minutes for November 8, 2016 Meeting**

<u>General Membership Meeting</u> -- The meeting was called to order by President Ed Berkowitz at 7:05 p.m. with 23 members present. He called for introductions of those present.

**Secretary's report**: Requested approval of the minutes as distributed to the membership. Minutes were approved as distributed.

**Treasurer's** Report: The treasurer filed the following report with the club.

 Balance
 \$10,164.62 \$\_\_\_\_\_\_

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 Balance as of 7/31/2015:
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The treasurer's report was approved by a majority vote.

#### **Other Reports**

President reminded everyone of the Annual Awards Dinner at the Double Tree and need to get your reservations in.

Bill Pond offered a report on the status of the repeaters saying there were still some problems at the Trump tower including notice that the Trump winery was planning to put grape vines in the area of the tower and would be dismantling it after the first of the year creating a need to find a new locations for the repeaters located there.

**Program:** The program "Communications – The Essence of Human Relationships" was presented by Jim Crosby K4JEC.

New Business: None offered.

**Old Business: None Offered** 

This was a national election night and the meeting was kept short so members could get back home to monitor results.

The meeting was adjourned at \_8:35 p.m. Patsy Crosby,

Secretary