

AARC Meeting Minutes August 9, 2022

Meeting started at 7 PM by Acting President, Ed Berkowitz, N3US.
Met in-person at PVCC Technology building room 835. Also, did Zoom session.

19 attendees in person, 7 others on Zoom.

Treasurer's Report – Larry Eicher, K4JZQ:

Highlights: FD income \$506.00

FD Expenses \$536.06

Food Expenses FD \$556.82

Donation to Earlysville Fire Dept \$250

Cost Summary for FD -\$836.88

Current AARC Business Checking Account: \$33,197.81

See attached treasurer's report for details.

Field Day Report – Bob Romanko, AK4BR:

Pop-up tent ordered from Wayfair. Bob received it on Saturday, FD.

Tracking problems with Wayfair. We received 20% discount and gave us sales tax back as club is non-profit. Bob said we needed 3rd shelter.

John Porter uploaded FD QSO's to LoTW.

Repeater report – Dave Damon, K4DND:

Dave acknowledged work done by Bill Pond, Dave helps.

Bill Pond reported that program reloaded in sCOM controller which sent out proper control codes. Reminder for users of repeaters to wait for "Ready" tone before speaking.

Other comments: In process getting access to County tower and shelter, we are awaiting quotes from two tower climbing companies.

Education report – Bob Pattison,:

All instructors in place for September Technician class. Four students enrolled so far. Expect several more students. Bob sent out schedule and links to website. Class starts in September.

Raffle ticket – Ian Callahan, KN4TBG:

Items being raffled include: cables, coffee cups, power supply, 2006 ARRL handbook, mobile marine radio. Reminded everyone to buy raffle tickets.

Ed will send out via sign-up sheet for September picnic. Each member can bring 1 guest for free; any more guests for \$5 each. Picnic at Darden Towe park. Each member should bring one side. Our typical Silent Auction will take place at this event.

Presentation by Bob Romanko on “AARC JOTA 2022” Planning for Success.

Highlights:

Bob is assistant scoutmaster Troop 17, 1st STEM troop.

JOTA is an experience about world of ham radio.

Need to promote JOTA. It is Jamboree on the Air. Largest scouting event that links scouts and hams globally. Scouts at all levels can participate.

Location is Earlysville Volunteer Fire Co.

Date: October 14-16, 2022. 3rd full weekend in October.

Local Scouts will be at Apple Harvest Camporee 2nd weekend in October.

Operating: all about getting youth on air, involves scouts in making contacts. Operate as club station W4DO. Use plain English, work strong stations, ensure station safety – keep aware of cable locations. Can use any band, try satellite, contact. JOTA is not a contest.

Activities: build antenna, crystal radio, cw key. Other actions: fox hunt, satellite contact, setup wire antennas.

Listen: HF QSOs, repeaters and short wave.

Advancement: Radio merit badges.

Promotion: communications, publicity, scouts, troops, pack meetings.

Use social media, posters and radio, TV, newspapers to publicize JOTA event.

Approach: everyone does a little.

Keys to success: Planning and ownership of an area..

Resources: ARRL, BSA, JOTAJOTINFO. JOTA radio amateur's handbook 2021.

Old/new business:

Raffle held and made \$41 in cash.

John Porter said he doesn't have speakers for future meetings yet but encourages members to recommend topics and speakers.

Ed reminded everyone to organize stuff for picnic silent auction. Picnic is Sunday, September 11 at 5 PM. Dinner starts at 5:45 pm, complete silent auction by 6:30 pm. Bring folding tables.

Meeting adjourned by Ed at 8:18 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephen Kramer KN4CJI, Secretary

**AARC Meeting Attendee List
8/9/2022**

Total attendance: 29

At PVCC room 835: 19

Steve Kramer	KN4CJI
Ed Berkowitz	N3US
Glenn Showalter	WB2LDJ
Dave Damon	K4DND
Bob Pattison	K4DU
Tim Freeze	KO4ELL
Ian Callahan	KN4TBG
David A. Thomas	WD3O
Dave Beebe	K4UEK
Larry Eicher	K4JZQ
John Porter	KK4JP
Bill Pond	N0WP
Connie Pond	guest
Ben Casto	NX4S

William Stewart	guest
Bob Romanko	AK4BR
Jim Owen	K4CGY
Jim Wilson	K4BAV
Steve	KA4TKR

On Zoom: 10

Ron Richey	K4RKA
Wynn Solomon	AI4MV
Frank Haynes	W4NUA
Rich Freeman	KI4QKV
Barb Freeman	KN4LAH
Dennis Terribile	WR4I
Warren Yursik	KN4LYF
Mike McPherson	K09P
Michael Rein	KA4JJD
Dave ???	

Treasurer's Report for AARC Board Meeting July 23, 2022

I. General info:

Signatories to the new AARC Business checking account are Ed Berkowitz and me.

We have a new UVA Credit Union debit business card which will make it easier to purchase items for the club, especially for Field Day and/or Picnic.

Recent UVA credit union checks have been sent out to cover member expenses for Field Day weekend.

We have paid the Virginia State Corporation Commission (registration fee for non-profits), as of July 31, 2022.

We have paid the \$60 fee to Albemarle Parks & Rec for our upcoming picnic on Sept 11.

We issued a check to Bill Pond to reimburse him \$247.61 repeater expenses.

Liability Insurance was previously paid by Don Eason for this year. This in effect until 6/30/23. This covers Board members, liability at PSA events, and potential accidents working on repeaters.

Deposits to the AARC Checking account continues to increase due to Pay pal for memberships, deposits from the sale of used equipment, and small dividends.

II.

Field Day Income: \$506.00

Income from Ed – sale of equipment.	\$190.00
Income from Ian – Raffle/Swapfest sales.	111.00
Donation from Ed of 2 Visa gift cards.	200.00
Larry purchase of SWR meter.	5.00

III.

Field Day Expenses = Members: \$536.06

Note info on Romanko's tent purchase

Eicher 6 ice bags.	\$18.02
Patrice Porter food for Joe	9.88
Bob Romanko - tent	463.66
Ian Callahan Safety vest/hand Sanitizer	44.50

IV: Food Expenses for Field Day Weekend: 6 food vendors \$556.82

Dunkin Doughnuts. 2 doz/2 coffee tots.	\$66.34
Wayside Chicken. Partial payment	63.94
Wayside Chicken 40 x 2 pieces + 2 sides.	130.28
MacDonalds Order 20 egg macmuffins.	64.32
SBUX 2 coffee travellers	42.12
SBUX 1 coffee traveller 5 lb beans	29.38
Panera Bread 2 ring Danish, 2 coffee tots	65.18
Sam's Club sodas, water, paper products.	95.26

V. Donation to Earlysville Fire Dept \$250.00

VI. Summary: Costs for Field Day Weekend: -\$836.88 cost of FD 2022

Income	+\$506.00
General Expenses.	- 536.06
Food Expenses.	- 556.82
Fire Dept. donation.	- 250.00

Current AARC Business Checking Account as of 8/8/2022 \$33,197.81