

# Albemarle Amateur Radio Club

March 12, 2024

## Board Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order 6:32pm, by President, Bob Pattison, K4DU - Meeting held at PVCC and via Zoom.
2. Opening Statement
3. Treasurers Report - Larry Eicher, K4JZQ
  - a. Balance \$ 36, 317.88 at UVA Credit Union
  - b. Dues due prior to April 1 deadline
  - c. The list will then be cleaned up to reflect active & life members.
4. Committee Reports
  - a. Technical Committee - Bill Pond, N0WP
    - No hardware needed at this time.
    - Plan 3-4 weeks for change of linking system with single UHF hub repeater at Bucks Elbow feed by half duplexes at other repeaters.
    - Working on controller config file consistency.
  - b. Public Service - Dave Damon, K4DND
    - First event, Sunday, March 17, Blue Ridge School in Dyke, VA, with good volunteer turn out.
  - c. Public Relations Committee - Dennis Terribile, WR4I (not present)
    - Presented at Senior Center with request to do semiannually.
    - Had two recruits for technician class from presentation.
    - Will work with Ben Kidd for STEM program for next class year to get ham radio into STEM curriculum.
    - Suggestion to coordinate with Director of Education
    - T-shirts for Field Day suggest discussing in April.
    - ARRL free on-line training available
  - d. Education Committee and VE's - Hank Perritt, K9KDF (not present)
  - e. Fund Raising - AJ Miller, KE4AJM
    - Need equipment for raffle items.
    - Suggest using money from raffles for Field Day shirts.
  - f. Estate Committee - Ed Berkowitz, N3US
    - Last month sold \$500.
    - Checking out Yaesu HT and other equipment to post on Swapfest.
    - 1950's vintage Hallicrafters receiver use as a project or sell locally.
    - Performing weekly update of Swapfest list.
  - g. Field Day Committee - Bob Romanko, AK4BR (not present)
5. Old Business - Bob Pattison, K4DU

- a. Club Call Sign Badges
    - Will use member list for ordering.
    - Started originally prior to COVID but need new vendor for project.
  - b. W2HD Scholarship
    - Establishing an on-going Scholarship to honor the former president of league would require funding to be open to contributions from outside the AARC no matter where the administration of the scholarship is housed.
    - There is a concern about the initial limitations and eligibility with primary focus on VA or Roanoke Division
    - It was suggested to start with VA, Roanoke Division then, after the first year, open it to national based on funding and applications.
6. New Business
- a. Planning for the Annual Awards Banquet
    - Formed committee to make recommendation to board with Ed Berkowitz, N3US, and Larry Eicher, K4JZQ, as part of committee.
    - Bob Romanko, AK4BR, will assist.
  - b. Need for a Committee to Review and Propose changes, corrections, and clarifications to Bylaws.
    - AJ Miller, KE4AJM, Ed Berkowitz, N3US, and Larry Eicher, K4JZQ volunteered to review.
    - Identified need for clarification of committees, team & teamwork
7. Meeting adjourned 6:51pm

Respectfully submitted,

Tonya Pedersen, KQ4EUR  
Secretary

**Attendees (9):**

**In Person (8):**

1. Bob Pattison, K4DU
2. Tonya Pedersen, KQ4EUR
3. Bill Pond, N0WP
4. Larry Eicher, K4JZQ
5. Dennis Terribile, WR4I
6. Dave Damon, K4DND
7. AJ Miller, KE4AJM
8. John Porter, KK4JP

**Online (1):**

1. Ed Berkowitz, N3US