

ARCNEM
Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum
K3NEM - - W3GR
Minutes of February 14, 2019

Attendees:

Mike Birdseye - K4DUM	Charlie Smith - K2ZVV
Steve Stitzer - WA3ZWC	Rick Moellmann - N3MOB
Fred Kuss - KA3CXQ	Kevin Zembower - KC3KZ
Fred Heath - AI3Z	Jim Smith - AB3CA
Tim Titus - W1TRT	Ted Bauer - WA3AER (phone)
Kathlene Orson - KC3FWF	Rol Anders - K3RA
Iain Kelly - AD5XI/M0PCB	Tim Ramsey - KC3FVB
Jerry Richards - W3GBR	Gary Hendrickson - W3DTN

Mike Birdseye K4DUM, President convened members at 6:05PM.

There was no action on the December 2018 minutes.

REPORTS

Treasurer --

General fund	\$1,687.75
Sinking fund (tube, equip)	<u>\$2,270.00</u>
Total	\$3,957.75

The report was accepted by voice vote.

Station Equipment and Operations

NG Net Wednesdays 3:00pm - - Kathleen KC3FWF , Tom K3YH, Fred AI3Z, and Jim AB3CA continue to operate the net successfully despite lower amplifier output.

Station Equipment/Issues -

- The Henry amplifier has again run into problems. Preliminary analysis suggests the output relay may be bad. This is a \$120 part. Fred AI3Z will work on it more in the next few days.
- The antenna is still over 10% off and will require a work party to fix it when the weather improves.
- The Heathkit amplifier is currently putting out 450W but if the 8875 tube fails it will be a very expensive replacement, if there are indeed any tubes available.

- Discussions with Gary Johney - N3BYN about a possible a replacement amplifier from the Alvin Glusick K0IQE estate are ongoing.

QSL Report - - No report

Training Report -- The Extra Class is in progress on Thursdays at the NEM.

Special Event Report – ARCNEB will operate as W2W for the 75th anniversary of D-Day from Saturday, June 1, 2019 through Sunday, June 9th. Jim Smith AB3CA will reserve the W2W call sign and arrange for advertising in Ham magazines.

OLD BUSINESS

Ted Bauer WA3AER raised several outstanding old issues that while being discussed many times at prior meetings have not yet been adequately addressed!

- In the fall of 2018 members voted to adopt a dues structure where everyone paid a flat annual dues of \$15. There are still members who have not renewed. Renewal income is needed to keep K3NEM operational. Potential revenue is about \$1,400 per year. **ACTION ITEM:** The president will send a dues payment reminder via the reflector to bring membership roster up to its full complement.
- Tyler K3MTR received an email from an unspecified source for a change to the k3nem.org password. We are trying to determine whether this is phishing or a legitimate request.
- The club may owe Laurie Knaack KB3ORF money for past expenses in maintaining the Web domain. Mike K4DUM will look into this.
- Kevin KC3KZ volunteered to be the club web master. He will work with Tyler K3MTR , Ted WA3AER , and others to establish a current, operational web presence for K3NEM. This may include registering a domain, updating software, and establishing procedures.

NEW BUSINESS - - none

NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS - none

The meeting adjourned at 7:42PM. There was no technical presentation.

The next meeting is March 14, 2019 at the National Electronics Museum.

Respectfully submitted by (not your elected or *de facto* secretary) Tim W1TRT.