Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum ARCNEM K3NEM - - W3GR

Monthly Meeting Minutes - September 12, 2019

Attendees:

Ted Bauer	WA3AER	(By telephone)
Mike Birdseye	K4DUM	,
Holly Bennett IV	KC3BOV	
Mike Coughlin	W3MBC	
Steven Funk	N3YPJ	
Zory Glaser	KB3VQC	
Fred Heath	AI3Z	
Gary Johney	N3BYN	
Gordon Johnston	KC3LWO	
Fred Kuss	KA3CXQ	
Rich Moellman	N3MOB	
David Rinker	WB3IGW	
Charlie Smith	K2ZVV	
Steve Stitzer	WA3ZWC	
Kevin Zembower	KC3KZ	

Mike, K4DUM, president, called the meeting to order at 1803 L.

The August 8, 2019 Minutes were approved. Kathleen, KC3FWF, was thanked for taking and publishing the minutes.

Reports

Treasurer

Fred, AI3Z, reported a beginning balance of \$2,529.82 and an ending balance of \$2,529.48.

Fred reminded members that annual dues are coming due. Annual dues are \$15. He again noted that the cost of donuts has increased and encouraged increased donations.

Station Equipment and Operations

NG Net - Wednesday 1500

Propagation was reported as problematic. Six check-ins from California and Maryland. The station is working well.

Station Equipment/Issues

We have enough parts on hand to build our own band-pass filters. We discussed the use of the filters and what bands needed them.

There are two amplifiers on site to be tested. They could each provide up to 1 KW out.

Fred, AI3Z, had a 150-watt amp for the Elcraft to use to drive high power amps.

The testing of the donated FT-1000MP needs to be completed before we can determine the best utilization of it.

There was a general discussion on the direction that the station operations and equipment should take. How do we make use of the best equipment we have? What equipment can be declared excess, and may be sold?

Special Event Report

Zory, KB3VQC, discussed the 50th Anniversary of the Apollo Lunar Landing, and asked about certificates for operation.

Ted, WA3AER, was asked about an Honor Flight on September 15. Ted had no information on this and wondered if K3NEM will be operational. October 6 is a known Honor Flight date.

Old Business

Ted, W3AER, had a question on the status of the groups determining the recipients of the Chip Weems award, and Alvin's plaque.

The installation date for the Sabreliner at the National Electronics museum has not been finalized, and the work continues to make it happen.

Have we reserved W2W for the Pearl Harbor?

There has been no progress on the web site update. There was a question on how data will be stored and migrated.

The meeting was adjourned at 1853L.

Next meeting will be on October 10.

After the meeting, Fred, KA3CXQ, made a short presentation on Apollo equipment at the NEM.

Minutes prepared from notes by Charlie K2ZNN