

GAINESVILLE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY, INC.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE GENERAL MEMBERSHIP August 15, 2017

A meeting of the General Membership of the Gainesville Amateur Radio Society was held on Tuesday, August 15, 2017, at Trinity United Methodist Church, 4000 N.W. 53rd Ave., Gainesville, Florida. The meeting was called to order by the President, Pete Winters, W4GHP, at 6:45 PM.

The President led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag and the introduction of the members and guests.

The sickness and health report was delivered.

The Secretary, Greg Sporer, KM4OCZ, was not present. The President announced in the Secretary's absence that all minutes are current on the GARS website. In Greg's absence, Sam Ullman, K4ZVD, acted as Secretary and took the Minutes of the meeting.

The Treasurer, Susan Tipton, K9PDL, was not present. The President delivered the Treasurer's report in her absence.

Susan Halbert, KG4VWI, delivered the ARES report in the absence of Jeff Capehart, W4UFL.

The Repeater Trustee, Shannon Boal, K4GLM, delivered his report. He said that all repeaters are working at the present time.

The Webmaster, Bob Guertin, W1GLV, delivered his report. He said that GARS has now created its own website, hosted by QTH. The address is WWW.GARS.CLUB. He said that GARS now owns the old website as well.

The President delivered his report.

He announced that the Board had voted to give plaques of appreciation from GARS to AvMed for hosting the GARS General Membership Meeting for 16 years, to the First Baptist Church of Waldo for hosting Hamfest, the Christmas Dinner and other GARS events, and to Gethsemane Lutheran Church for hosting

the National Field Day Event. In addition, GARS will make cash contributions to Gethsemane Lutheran Church and First Baptist Church of Waldo.

He also announced that the next general membership meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2007, and include a tour of the WRUF transmitter site conducted by Rob Carr. The President suggested that all members meet at 6:30 at Trinity United Methodist Church, 4000 N.W. 53rd Ave., Gainesville, Florida, to carpool to the event.

There being no Old Business, the President called for New Business.

The President called for volunteers to serve on the Nominating Committee.

The President announced that the GARS Fall Picnic would be held on October 21, 2017 at the Channel 20 Park. A temporary station will be set up. Boy Scouts Jamboree on the Air (JOTA) is also that day, and arrangements are being made to have some Boy Scouts attend to speak on the air to other Boy Scouts all over the country participating in JOTA. Arrangements are also being made to have a Radio Merit Badge Class for the Boy Scouts who attend.

The President also announced that GARS will participate in the Veteran's Day observation event on November 11, 2017, at Kanapaha Veterans Memorial Park.

The President also announced that GARS will participate in Operation Santa Delivery in December 2017. The date has not been set as yet.

The program was presented by Steve Szabo, WB4OMM, the ARRL North Florida Section Manager.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously adopted, adjourned.

Samuel C. Ullman, Acting Secretary