

GAINESVILLE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY, INC.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF
THE EXECUTIVE BOARD
(BOARD OF DIRECTORS)
January 7, 2016

A meeting of the Executive Board (Board of Directors) of the Gainesville Amateur Radio Society was held on Thursday January 7, 2016, at the home of Bob Guertin, W1GLV. The meeting was called to order at 7:00 o'clock PM by the President, Pete Winters, W4GHP. The following members of the Executive Board were in attendance in addition to Mr. Winters:

Shannon Boal, K4GLM
Jeff Capehart, W4UFL
Bob Guertin, W1GLV
Hal Helms, WA4QLA

Larry Rovak, WB2SVB
Ronnie Smith, KJ4HBF
Susan Tipton, K9PDL
Sam Ullman, K4ZVD

The President called for the Report of the Treasurer, Susan Tipton. The Treasurer delivered her report. She reported that the Christmas Party had lost money, that is, the expenses exceeded the receipts from raffle tickets and donations. A discussion was held regarding plans to avoid losses at future Christmas Parties. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously adopted, a resolution was adopted to require each attendee to purchase a meal ticket, which would include one raffle ticket. Additional raffle tickets will be available for purchase. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously adopted, the report was adopted.

The President called for the report of the Webmaster, Bob Guertin. The Webmaster reported that the agenda and additional information for each meeting will be posted on the website in advance of the meeting. The Webmaster also announced that a "technical section" will be added to the website. Finally, the Webmaster announced plans to post a video recording of each meeting on the website. Upon motion duly made, seconded and unanimously adopted, the report was adopted.

The Webmaster also announced that the rules for the 2016 Winter Field Day are posted at www.winterfieldday.com/rules.html.

The President called for the report of the Repeater Trustee, Shannon Boal. The Repeater Trustee reported that everything is working smoothly.

The President called for the report of the 2015 Vice President, Jeff Capehart. The Vice President reported that the January program will feature Rob Carr. The February Program will feature Eric Zelaya, who is coming from Orlando to present a discussion of fusion equipment. The March program is still in the planning stages.

The President then gave his report as follows:

He reported on the plans for the post card mailing to all hams in Alachua County. He said that the card will be mailed 7-10 days before the February meeting, with the expectation that hams who are not members of GARS will attend the February meeting.

He also reported on the plans for Winter Field Day, which will be held on Saturday January 30, 2016, at Veteran's Memorial Park. Set-up will begin at 8:30 AM. Winter Field Day will operate from noon on Saturday until noon on Sunday, although GARS will operate only on Saturday from noon until 4 PM. GARS will have a tent with walls available, depending on the weather. GARS intends to operate two stations, one with committed operators according to a schedule; the other for instruction, demonstrations, etc. Operators with headsets are needed. Discussions of what antennae to use were held. Danish pastry will be available for the set-up crew. Lunch will include hamburgers, hot dogs, and assorted sides.

He also reported on the GARS 2016 Hamfest, which is scheduled for Saturday, April 23, 2016, at the Waldo First Baptist Church. GARS authorized the payment of \$150 to the Church for the use of the facilities.

He also reported that Warren Croke, NW4C, wants to start licensing classes and testing for those interested in ham radio at Santa Fe College, and has asked for help from GARS. The decision was made to provide help.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously adopted, adjourned at 8:35 o'clock PM.

Samuel C. Ullman, Secretary