

## **November 1, 2018 Executive Board Meeting Minutes**

Call to order.

Welcome by Pete Winters (W4GHP)

Sickness/Health & Welfare: Don Furlong's (KM4EOY) memorial service will be held at Trinity UMC on Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m.

Larry Rovak's (WB2SVB) son's cancer treatment has shifted to a chemo based treatment as he was not responding to the experimental treatment that was being used.

The secretary, Gregory Sporer (KM4OCZ), was not present so there was no report.

The treasurer, Susan Tipton (K9PDL), indicates that all is well in her corner. She stated that she has tickets available for the December banquet at \$15.00 per ticket.

The GARS Webmaster, Bob Guertin, (W1GLV) has nothing to report.

The ARES EC, Jeff Capehart (W4UFL), reported that the ARRL North Florida Emergency Manager, Karl Martin will be in Gainesville this Saturday and desires to meet with those individuals that deployed to the panhandle for hurricane Michael to go over procedures and present his own after-action report. The next ARES meeting is Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup> at the Red Cross on NW 6<sup>th</sup> Street.

The Repeater Trustee/Vice President, Shannon Boal (K4GLM), reported that the repeaters are working. He has had discussions with Bill McClancy and Rob Carr of WRUF asking for help in resolving the issue of the 146.985 VHF and the 444.925 UHF repeaters on the same antenna and using the same feed line. Further information was promised to be forthcoming from WRUF. Advance planning for Winter Field Day January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2019 is beginning.

The President, Pete Winters (W4GHP), GARS will be supporting the 2018 Veteran's Day celebration with an information booth and not with a radio demo. The president reported that his request for the new section manager would speak to the club at the January general meeting has yet be acknowledged.

This year the GARS Fall Picnic was deemed a success.

The Annual Awards Dinner and Christmas party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 18, 2018 in Trinity's Atrium. The cost is the same as last year, \$15.00 per person.

GARS Hamfest 2019. We have received approval from the Waldo First Baptist Church to hold the event at their facility on Saturday, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Our application has been submitted through the ARRL channels and we are a sanctioned event with the ARRL. Larry Rovak WB2SVB the hamfest chairman has sent out "save the date" postcards to last years vendors, and has produced a current flyer for distribution.

The president asked Shannon K4GLM and Bob W1GLV to again chair the HOY/RDP selection committee for 2018. It is expected that the selection be completed by November 30<sup>th</sup>, so that the respective awards be taken to the engravers.

Elections for GARS officers and e board members are scheduled to be held at the November 20, 2018 general meeting. The ballot at this time is yet incomplete as currently we have only 4

names for the five e board seats. As a matter of clarification all officer and e board positions are open to nominations from the floor at the general meeting. The nominations currently are; President; Debra Boal KI4CVS, Vice President; Shannon Boal K4GLM; Secretary; Gregory Sporer KM4OCZ, and Carol Chesney KG4FEX; Treasurer; Pete Winters W4GHP. Board seat nominates are: Vann Chesney AC4QS, Robert Guertin W1GLV, Larry Rovak WB2SVB, John Troupe KM4JTE, and Open Seat. It is noted that at this time only the Secretary's position is being challenged.

It was mentioned that GARS will participate in the Operation Santa Delivery event is scheduled for Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at the Santa Fe College north field. More details as to actual booth location will be forthcoming from the event sponsor Life South.

A motion was made, seconded and duly approved to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Minutes taken by the President Pete Winters W4GHP, in the absence of the Secretary.