BRARA Board Meeting

Date: Saturday 25-MARCH 2018 Location: BRARA Shack Start Time: 11.30Am

Attendance: Bruce.R KO4XL, Jerry.Z W4BFL, Jeff.R W4AEQ, George.S WA2VNV, Patrick KE4OBV, Jeff.S K4BH, John.C N1QFH

The following items were discussed and actions assigned

- 1. Jeff.R suggested installing GroupMe apps for directors to notify when tower needs lowering
- 2. When sending to Bruce use his ko4xl@brara.org given he uses filters
- 3. Setup Tower notify tree of Jeff.R, George, John.C (Action: Jeff)
- 4. Create GroupMe tower group and directors group (Action: Jeff.R)
- 5. Relocate Echo link to shack when hotspot antenna is outside (Action: Jeff.R, Bruce)
- 6. Roy's tower pictures: George to provide to John.C (DONE)
- 7. Jeff.R suggested doing in-service training class for those using the linear amp
- 8. Jeff.R suggested having SOP sheet for tower process and where to locate
- 9. Robert K3SUH will send Good and welfare cards. Purchase get well and condolence cards (Action: John.C)
- 10. Updated why server is bouncing emails. Setup mail account for everyone to forward emails (Action: Jerry.Z)
- 11. Install GroupMe app on phones (Action: all of us)
- 12. Make condolence and get well labels (Action: John.C)
- 13. Discussed meeting agenda items to address (speaker, radiator grill, tech class, testing, cooking Roy's stuff wrap-up)
- 14. George announced UHF/VHF Spring sprints
- 15. Discussed fundraising ideas offered by Roy (e.g. Dell needs follow-up) (Action: Jerry.Z)
- 16. Need WFD2018 follow-up by Gerry.G and discussed how to operate outside next year
- 17. Discussed satellite setup. Antennas examine for possible repairs
- 18. Discussed securing donated tower to fence (Action: John.C)
- 19. Discussed use of towers and other recently donated antennas and possible upgrade to SteppIR.
- 20. Discussed breakout task list into two (board action) and other is action list (Action: John.C)
- 21. MailChimp member update indicator is underway (Action: John.C)
- 22. Census extract will be available after use our database as data source, this is underway (Action: John.C)
- 23. Training capability on website needs more discussion
- 24. Social media committee needs to address priority (Action: John.C)
- 25. PayPal capability (Action: Bruce)
- 26. Inventory assessment on 3-April at noon at shack (Action: George, Art, John.C)
- 27. UHF/VHF tower pulley repair and replace with rope George purchased (Action: George, John.C)
- 28. Complete Shed cleanup (Action: John.C)
- 29. Task calendar needs to be reviewed at a future meeting, organize list for board (Action: John.C)
- 30. Discussed security and locks. Need about 100 keys to exchange old for new (Action: Jerry.Z and Jeff.R)
- 31. Membership cards to be printed ready for handout at next meeting (Action: Bruce) DONE
- 32. Discussed Policy Book and need to review for additions
- 33. Install HotSpot outside antenna (Action: Jeff.R and John.C)
- 34. Discussed Newsletter updates (Action: Jeff.R)
- 35. Discussed doing raffle at monthly meeting and add seed money (Action: Patrick)
- 36. Pointed out Brochure was previously updated and now ready to be used
- 37. Announced next Radiator Grill is 28-April. Arrange staffing (Action: Bruce)
- 38. Discussed increasing net controls and backups
- 39. Discussed donors and recognition and have Robert send a card of thanks and possible phone tree for visiting people
- 40. Discussed getting an AED and how to fund. Connect with PBC to see if there is funding etc. (Action: Jeff.R)
- 41. Discussed need to do regular check and recertify dry chemical fire extinguishers (Action: Bruce)
- 42. Do AED research and general information. Search for possible AED donors (Action: Jeff.S)
- 43. Discussed consolidating Wellington and BRARA NBEMS nets (Action: Jeff.R)
- 44. Discussed ideas how to reduce inventory to free up space and offer first to members
- 45. Advise members know radios have changed at Station-1 via email (Action: John.C) DONE
- 46. Discussed how to respect members and is a balance given we are volunteers and donate our time
- 47. Dem how to raise and lower tower (Action: George) DONE
- 48. Patrick announced all mode radios for sale at Mikes

Respectfully submitted John Cole N1QFH Secretary