BRARA Board Meeting

Date: Sunday 16-August 2018 Location: BRARA Shack Start Time: 12:08pm

Attendance: Bruce.R KO4XL, Jeff.R W4AEQ, Jeff.S K4BH, John.C N1QFH

The following items were discussed, motions made, tasks assigned.

1. Administrative Policy: New policy items were discussed and acted upon. The following items were added to our policy book.

New Member Dues

Adopted 2018-09-16

Motion: Moved by Jeff.R W4AEQ and 2nd by Jeff.S K4BH

A new member who joins and pays dues on or after October 1st of the current year shall be considered paid

in full through December 31st of the following year.

Discussion: Discussed the motion.

Final Vote: Motion unanimous approved.

Current Member Renewals

Adopted 2018-09-16

Motion: Moved by Jeff.S K4BH and 2nd by Jeff.R W4AEQ

A current member in good standing may renew membership for the following year by paying dues on or after October 1st of the current year and no later than March 31st of the following year shall than be considered an

active member in good standing.

Discussion: Discussed the motion.

Final Vote: Motion unanimous approved.

A new member who raised the dues question will be effective October 1st and is the exception. The board will address case by case basis anyone who raises this issue.

- 2. BRARA DMR Tech Net and Talk Groups: Discussed the pro and con of continuing using regional TG 31124 and future plans for a different TG. For now we'll continue with 31124 and reassess using a different TG at future date. We will continue to monitor open market for a Brandmeister DMR repeater. At that time we can discuss a new DMR local net such as Thursday. Discussed financial resources and club priorities.
- 3. Shack transceivers: Discussed club priority, timing, and resources to purchase a stable HF radio to replace the IC-7600. Discussed setting up a capital campaign to address the need for a new HF and a DMR repeater with a hotspot for internet capability. The priority would be to address the HF rig then the repeater and to identify this in the campaign. Total goal is \$6k and any excess after purchasing the HF rig would go to repeater. This is tax deductible and would be nice to have PayPal capability. We discussed researching costs of HF and repeater to report back to the board and membership for future action. Reach out to Art for HF and Jeff.R to monitor the vendor options and pricing. We discussed future plans of donated items such as satellite station and how it may be coordinated with the capital campaign. We agreed to hold until more snowbirds return so we may get their input. The board tabled the capital campaign for a future date until we can be very clear and specific and have input from the full board.
- 4. Board Lunch / Dinner: define a date when we can get together as a board.
- 5. Website: decluttered and will be regrouping sections of the home page. Redirect from N4BRF is done thanks to Walt and Bruce.
- 6. **Facilities:** Need to change AC filter on regular basis. Bruce will look at purchasing a year supply so we can change this once each month.
- Board Task List: Reviewed task list. Something about a gefilte fish in the wild with a carrot? Oy.
- 8. Mail Chimp: Discussed updating the member list status and how to use the API to manage this.
- 9. Training: Discussed tools, capabilities, scheduled classes. Manual updating website and calendars work fine as-is for now.
- 10. **PayPal:** Goal is to have ready for October. Bruce and Patrick are working through technical and financial coordination issues with our bank.
- 11. Storage Shed: Need to reorganize and cleanup sooner than later. John.C will address this.

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- 12. **Net Control Stations:** We discussed need to build our NCS to cover absences. Once we have a few NCS we can rotate who can be NCS and setup a schedule. Will push this item more.
- 13. **BRARA Email Forwarding:** Discussed the technical reasons why this does not work and anyone with a @brara.org will need to use an email client to read their specific email.
- 14. **AED:** Subsidy may not be enough and need to continue to reach out to PBC for a resource option. Jeff will discuss with PBC Park staff to obtain an AED for the park. Discussed strategy for approaching the PBC Park Staff and how to secure the device.
- 15. Club Calendar: Discussed reviewing our calendar list if task such as AC filters. This would be tasked to House Manager yet to be defined.
- 16. **Committee and Members:** This list needs to be defined. Some thought these assignments were in minutes. Full board needs to do this. Need to appoint people.
- 17. Field Day: Winter Field day 2019 will be coordinated by John.C
- 18. Next Board Meeting: 25-Sept after breakfast at the shack. Mostly this is to set the agenda and John.C will send email to board.

Respectfully submitted John Cole N1QFH Secretary