GAINESVILLE AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY, INC.

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD (BOARD OF DIRECTORS) February 4, 2016

A meeting of the Executive Board (Board of Directors) of the Gainesville Amateur Radio Society was held on Thursday February 4, 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	Larry Rovak, WB2SVB
Jeff Capehart, W4UFL	Bob Guertin, W1GLV
Susan Tipton, K9PDL	Sam Ullman, K4ZVD
Hal Helms, WA4QLA, by telephone	

The President called for the Report of the Treasurer, Susan Tipton. The Treasurer reported that GARS had filed its Form 990-N, Electronic Notice (e-Postcard) for Tax-Exempt Organizations not Required to File Form 990 or Form 990 EZ, with the Internal Revenue Service for 2015. She also reported that GARS had filed its Florida Not for Profit Corporation Annual Report with the Florida Department of State for 2016.

The President called for the report of the Vice President, Bob Guerin. The Vice President reported that he is arranging the program for the February meeting. The March Program is in the planning stages, but that he has contacted GRU to have an expert speak on grounding.

The President delivered his report.

The President announced that GARS is investigating obtaining additional patches and embroidered shirts. The cost may be prohibitive however.

The President announced that Bob Guertin had inquired in regard to having an Echo Link system on our computer for our .685 repeater. The President appointed Bob Guertin and Larry Rovak to look into it.

The President announced that GARS will try to get the Gethsemane Lutheran Church field at 4011 NW 34th St for its Summer Field Day activities in 2016 as it has in prior years.

The President reported that GARS would use 147.555 Simplex for communication at the Orlando Hamcation in February.

The President reported on the Membership Drive. He and Hal Helms will meet with Storter Childs to make final arrangements for the QSL postcard to be completed. It will likely be mailed out in March 2016 with the expectation of having hams who not members of the GARS attend the March General Membership Meeting.

The President reported on Winter Field Day. \$34 in contributions was received. GARS made 152 contacts, including 145 in the 27 states in the U.S., 6 in Canada, and 1 in Honduras.

The President reported on the Easter Eggs for the Blind project for this year. Easter is March 27th. The President announced that he will call David Lynn to see if he would like GARS to get the Easter eggs ready as in past years. There is some chance that the electronic eggs that have been used in prior years will be replaced by a newer technology.

There being no further business to come before the meeting, the same was, on motion duly made, seconded and unanimously adopted, adjourned at 8:45 o'clock PM.

Samuel C. Ullman, Secretary