# **GARS E-Board Agenda**

January 2020, 7PM

Attendance: Vann & Carol Chesney, Shannon Boal, Bob Guertin, Larry Rovak, John Troupe, Pete Winters, Leon Couch, Rebecca Wolfson Location: WB2SVB's house

**I. Sickness and health:** K4AQP – entering hospice; Susan and Jeff – out w/ colds; Karen mom/dad/bro had flu ER-type; Nick Koenigstein (K4NIK) got his antenna up;

#### **II. OFFICER REPORTS:**

1. Webmaster: Vann changed it. Might use a new html editor. Coding by hand. Calendar – conflict March for Babies is the day of the Hamfest. Led by Gus Clifton 2017 /Pete 2018 / Vann 2019. Note: Leader needed for this year. Need to reach out to new contact. March of Dimes – discussion with GARS President / Ricky Conyata?) Send updates to webmaster. Hamfest has direct access to pdf on webpage; Check calendar for errors; GARS Flyer is being updated.

# 2. ARES Secretary report:

- A. 49 registered members.
- B. Meeting agenda for Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>: Will present ideas from survey of important projects/activities, and program on Yaesu WIRES-X, some traffic practice, and discussion of a proposed Memorandum of Understanding with the county. Other agenda items:

Gordon Gibby Sign-ups for Project Teams (Pass around interest sign-ups for a bunch of the items you 7:38 Improved End Fed 49:1 Baluns -- cut losses in half folks chose!!) Upcoming LunchNLab Date: TBD Everyone Gordon Gibby 7:10-7:30 7:40-7:50 Update on Amplifiers Possibly with a DEMO (20 min) WIRES-X Jim Bledsoe Gordon Gibby 7:30 Report on TRAILER TOWER project 7:50-8:10 Upcoming LunchNLab Date: TBD 20 minutes TRAFFIC NET PRACTICE Gordon Gibby 7:32 Report on EOC State Net Participation Leland Gallup Can we move SIX MESSAGES IN 20 MINUTES? 7:34 Report on WINLINK CheckInNet Susan Halbert Come prepared with your radio!!! (See attached ICS-205) 7:36 Update on Emergency Conference Section Traffic Manager now assisting 8:10 Heathkit Power Supplies -- Printed Circuit Board Gordon Gibby 8:12 TUNER // KEYER

- Secretary Report: Send email for speaker Jay Garlitz to Jay and president. Update EBoard member emails.
- 4. Treasurer report:
  - A. Solvent; Successful banquet esp. due to Trinity Methodist accounting changes and amount charged.
    - i. \$10.50 increased to \$11 per plate.
    - ii. Added \$216 fee for 6 hours at \$23/hour for lead cook (who buys food, plans menu, makes food
    - iii. Added assistant fee for 6 hours \$13/hr
    - iv. Note: Treasurer always ordered 10% over # of plates pre ordered.
    - v. \$845.65 15 collected through pay pal for banquet tickets. (Charge \$1 service charge.)
    - vi. Sold \$260 in additional door prize.
    - vii. Trinity Methodist charged \$25/mo for meeting room.
    - viii. (Total Expenses: \$1085, Net \$25)
    - ix. Recommend doing something else to cover door prizes this year. Making drinks for banquet should be addressed next year. Maybe have Trinity cover that.
    - x. Trinity appears happy to renew agreement for New Year at \$35/month for meeting room for year 2020. Will write check within the next week or so.

- xi. Will start using coffee paper cups for Trinity recycling goal.
- B. \$100 donation through Paypal from David Huxstep. Hoping to boost SAR net off on top. Will put the donation in tower/repeater fund for safe keeping. Invite Brandy Pierce tell us about SAR net. (IP upgrade occurring, analog radio run with IP Addresses.)
- 5. VP & repeater trustee report:
  - A. Repeaters are working
  - B. SAR net continues to cut off / Larry has a room where he monitors it.
  - C. Success working with Randy Pierce or Brian Kopp (government SAR / FDOT cleared personal only allowed to work on SAR.). They switch something on, but it tends to kick out. Will email Brian to switch it back on.
  - D. Debbie and President will meet to switch names on bank account.
  - E. Speaker Meeting Suggestions:
    - i. Members of EBoard member brings in a mystery show-and tell item.
    - ii. W4RHC could share experiences with DMR.
    - iii. Allen West -text examiners presentation
- 6. President report: Arranged schedule to attend more GARS meeting as much as possible. Affiliated with ARES.
  - A. Feb.29/Mar 1 FL Emergency Conference
    - i. at Baptist church past Kanapaha
    - ii. EC 100 Emergency course
    - iii. Possible Field examiners Vann /Larry

## **III. OLD BUSINESS:**

- 1. status as Co-Sponsor 2020 of Florida Emergency Communications Conference
  - a. Winter Field day / picnic
    - i. location: Westside part by the pool, Jonesfield?
    - ii. Time: 8:30am to approx. 4
    - iii. date: 25th; Officially starts at 2pm-2pm
    - iv. Friday, old goats club will set up.
      - 1. (Step ladder needed, flat braid rope, flags)
      - 2. Goal to set up flag pole with a 30 ft pole and tuner; off-center dipole; inverted V –
      - 3. need advance site survey;
    - v. need a cook ex-president and Beverly;
    - vi. Do we need prior approval? No cost / 1st come 1st serve /
    - vii. Need to know that the group has insurance Pete. / Need to notify GARS Insurance Pete /
    - viii. John Troupe will do CW.

## **IV. NEW BUSINESS:**

- 1. Field Day feedback:
  - a. Club Goals: To compete with our previous year success and improve our personal success. We want to invite people to become more interested in ham radio. We are also trying to make ham operators become more successful at contesting and making different types of contacts.
  - b. Discussed field day feedback from John, NO5X, detailing how to improve the field day event. Motion approved and accepted: At General meeting, please sign up if you'd like a copy of his suggestions.
  - c. Possible site:
    - i. Waldo,

- 1. need to contact city manager Worley for permission to add to city meeting agenda
- 2. attend city meetings for holding field day at the school. (Meetings  $2^{nd}$  or  $4^{th}$  Tuesday of the month.) –
- d. Goal: Need operators and to practice,
- e. follow through on duty assignments,