

MINUTES for UCARS February 2017 Meeting

Bill Foust, KB4NET, opened the meeting at 7:01 PM with 10 Members and 1 guest

Members attending:

Bill Foust KB4NET	Chris Whitaker AE4WS	Norm Beasley K04CB
Paul Corso KK4PIB	Jim King KK4AWQ	Henry Hicks KM4YMY
Ricardo Fisher KM4QJO	David Funder Burk N4DKF	Alfred KoKoszczyński KC2GZI
Andy Kabasakalian WB2WZC		

Guests: Rick Lanier

Treasurer's Report: Current Balance \$ 1,895.54

- 1) The Treasurer's Report was given
- 2) Bill opened the meeting with announcements:
 - a. Welcomed our guest – Rick Lanier (KN4AGZ)
 - b. Rick received his license at the last UCARS VE session
- 3) Bill announced that we have 3 tables at the Hamfest and told the locations of the tables.
- 4) The SC & NC QSO party to be held on February 25 & 26 were discussed. It has been decided that UCARS will not participate as a club this year. Members are encouraged to participate from their homes
- 5) The Next UCARS VE session was announced to be on April 15th.
- 6) Bill had a discussion of Band Pass filters for use at Field Day to minimize interference between stations. Suggestion was made to purchase filters for 80/40/20 meter bands.
- 7) The Field day to be held in June was discussed and a Hamfest Committee was created:
 - a. Members of the committee are:
 - i. Andy Kabasakalian will lead the committee
 - ii. Alfred KoKoszczyński
 - iii. Chris Whitaker
 - iv. Jim King
 - v. Norm Beasley
- 8) Jim King inquired if the club would be interested in participating in the Boy Scout Camporee this year. He will check and advise the date and place for us.
- 9) Henry Hicks discussed classes for Amateur Technician Class licenses to be held in Stallings. Chris Whitaker has signed on to help. Classes begin on 2/19/17.
- 10) Paul Corso inquired if there was interest among the members to participate in a program sponsored by the Union County Sheriff's department aiding in locating lost people that have strayed away from their homes or facility due to an impairment. The service would be to monitor specific radio frequencies that the individual would be transmitting on from a wrist bracelet. This would not necessitate leaving your home to monitor. You would be notified of the frequency of the person's wrist transmitter and you would notify the authorities if you heard the signal in your area. Paul will contact the Sheriff's Department to inquire about having someone make a presentation at a club meeting and explain the program in more detail.
- 11) The 50/50 drawing was held with a \$16.00 amount. Rick Lanier was the winner and he donated the proceeds to the club's treasury.
- 12) Bill adjourned the meeting at 8:04 PM.

COMING EVENTS

The next **UCARS meeting** will be **March 16, 2017** at the **Red Cross Building, Monroe.**

The next **UCARS breakfast** is **Saturday March 11, 2017** at the Monroe Golden Corral at 9:00 AM.

The next **UCARS VE Session** will be **April 15, 2017**