

Minutes for UCARS October 19th, 2017 Meeting

Bill Foust, KB4NET opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with 17 members present.

Members in attendance:

Andrew Kabasakalian, WB2WZC

Bill Foust KB4NET

Ricardo Fisher KM4QJO

Mal Spear WA2TWA

John Crowley KN4EUH

Bo Yates, W4BCY

Paul Corso, KK4PIB

Michael Segersin KN4CQA

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS

Al Zinkernagel. KI4UJJ

Galen Stutzman KC4AN

Ray Rising, K4LWJ

David Keever, K8IP

Mike Wilson, K4TWM

David Funderburk N4DKF

Bob Simmerman, KN4CJG

Alfred KoKoszczyński KC2GZI

1. David, K8IP presented the treasurer's report. The Current bank balance is \$2,001.54
2. Bill Foust reviewed the minutes of the September meeting.
3. The members were queried on the following:
 - Do we have a Sign-Up sheet for each member?
 - Does everyone have Club Name badge?
 - Need Badge for Al Zinkernagel and Bob Simmerman
 - Is everyone receiving the mailings from the Yahoo UCARS Groups?
 - Need to add Al Zinkernagel and Bob Simmerman to list.
 - Dues will be accepted for 2018 tonight for 2018.
4. Nominations for Officers for 2018 were presented:
 - For President – Chris Whitaker AE4WS
 - For Vice President – David Funderburk N4DKFVoting was held and above were elected for Office for 2018
 - In addition, David Keever, K8IP will continue as Secretary/Treasurer.
 - Also, Alfred KoKoszczyński, KC2GZI will continue as Activities Coordinator.
5. Per rules of the Club's Constitution the newly elected President took over the office and presided over the meeting.
6. Discussion of "Warbirds over Monroe"
 - Question. Will UCARS participate this year, decided that the Club will be participating
 - Paul Corso gave an overview of the event for new members and asked for members that will be attending. A Q & A followed.
 - Paul will check with Town of Monroe for and report back via Yahoo Group.
7. The Boy Scout Merit Badge Class was requested by Jim King to be presented again for Siler Presbyterian Church Scout Troop. A Date and time to be decided upon. Will be after first of next year.
8. Mike Wilson asked if UCARS will participate in the Scout Jamboree this weekend and if not, could members make contacts with the Scouts this weekend to support the event.
9. Mike Wilson is interested in the Boy Scout Merit Badge presentation for his Boy Scout Troop in Waddington.
10. The UCAR Christmas dinner will be held on December 7 at 7:00 PM at the Tropicana Buffet and Grille in Matthews. It was requested that this be posted on the Yahoo Group page.
11. There was a request for Program suggestions, if you have one please submit your idea to Alfred KoKo who will coordinate the programs for next year.
12. There have been requests for a program on proper procedures and etiquette for HF DXing and contesting. Looking for a volunteer to present.
13. VE Exams being given this Saturday, October 21, verify we have enough VE's.

14. There have inquiries for Amateur Radio Classes. Will ask if there is interest on the Yahoo Group page and on the UCARS Web Site. To revisit if there is enough interest.
15. Swap Fest was a success at the last meeting. It was decided to have the Swap Fest quarterly.
16. Bill Foust announced that the Red Cross will be moving in March of 2018 and we will be welcome at the new facility to be named soon. We will have to work with the property owners at the new location for antenna/tower installation.
17. Alfred KoKoszczyński gave a presentation of the use of an APP on a smart phone to learn Morse Code. The program used was "Morse Code Trainer. Available at no charge. It was mentioned that similar APPS are available for iPhone.
18. The 50/50 Drawing with a \$35.00 pot was held, with Andy Kabasakalian was the winner and gave the club's treasury \$17.50.

The formal meeting was adjourned at 8:20 PM

Coming Events:

The next Saturday Breakfast is November 11th at the Golden Corral.

VE Sessions: Union County Amateur Radio Society October 21 at 9:00 AM; Red Cross Building, Monroe