

## Minutes for UCARS January 2018 Meeting

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS opened the regular meeting at 7:00 PM with 15 members and 3 visitors present.

### Members in attendance:

Paul Corso, KK4PIB

Ricardo Fisher KM4QJO

Mal Spear WA2TWA

Kevin Moderow, WA9VFD

Mike Williams, K4IC

David Keever, K8IP

Chris Whitaker, AE4WS

Rick Lanier, KN4AGI

Henry Hicks, K4HCH

Ray Rising, K4LWJ

Bill Foust KB4NET

David Funderburk N4DKF

Galen Stutzman KC4AN

Jim King, KK4AWQ

Chris Whitaker, Jr KK4WJL

Visitors: Peter Gulish, KA1NEM

Jeff Weiss, K4EVT

Jamie King

1. Chris recapped the events of the last meeting.
2. The Treasurers report was given.
3. Chris made the following announcements:
  - a. Richmond, VA Frost Fest will be held February 3<sup>rd</sup>.
  - b. Traffic class will be held February 3<sup>rd</sup> in Richfield, NC
  - c. Cabarrus County Ham Radio Classes using Gordon West Manuals.
  - d. UCARS VE Session is this Saturday, January 20. At 9:00 AM
  - e. UCARS 2018 Dues are now due.
4. Jim King and Jamie King presented information about the Boy Scout Camporee to be held on March 16-18 at Cane Creek Park
5. Jim King will head organizing UCARS participation in the Boy Scout Camporee
6. Paul Corso advised that the requested Class for Boy Scout Merit Badge could not be accommodated due to the time table that the leaders requested.
7. A Boy Scout Merit Badge Class to be presented at Siler Presbyterian Church will be led by Paul Corso.
8. Henry Hicks presented his proposal to expand his Community Radio Network to include use of the UCARS Repeaters. A vote was taken to allow use of the repeater for his Net. It was unanimously approved. Net will be held on Monday evenings at 7:30 PM,
9. David, K8IP requested that we establish a schedule for Net Controllers for the UCARS Repeater NETs. Volunteers were requested to host the Thursday evening and Sunday evening nets. Chris and Chris Jr., Henry, Paul, Bill, David volunteered. David will send out a request to these individuals for preference of Nets and week. Will request for Prime and backup Net Control.
10. Kevin Moderow inquired about generating interest in APRS. Union County has minimal access.
11. David, K8IP gave presentation about Charlotte Hamfest in March. Recruitment of volunteers and Sale of tickets.
12. Bill Foust told the members that UCARS will have tables at the Hamfest and if you want to sell items you need to price with requesting and minimum price for sale.
13. Chris asked for volunteers for a Field Day Committee. Volunteers included Kevin, Chris Jr., David, Ricardo, Paul and Andy.
  - a. Paul will approach Siler Presbyterian church for use and will secure necessary permits from Wesley Chapel.
14. Last meeting Kevin Moderow volunteered to be on the Education Committee. He has contacted school representatives in K-12. This will require volunteers and depending how the club is organized for the

event will determine how members are vetted to be on school grounds. Kevin feels that if it is a club activity it will be easier to be vetted than by individual. Kevin is corresponding with LEA (Local Education Authority). Earliest presentation would be this Fall.

15. Mal Speers announced that the South Cars Net meets on Wednesday 10-11 AM on 7.251 MHz The Net is for Selling, Swapping amateur equipment. Registering is necessary to sell items.
16. David Funderburk announced Charlotte Group led By Bill Fisher will have an FT8 class. Date has not been announced.
17. David Funderburk announced the North American QSO Party is this weekend January 20 and 21.
18. Formal part of meeting closed at 8:03 PM
19. Bill Foust provided a presentation on FM, Deviation, Narrow and Wide Band specifics. Equipment measurements followed the presentation.
20. The 50/50 drawing was held. \$17.00 was collected and was won by Mal Speer. \$16.00 is being added to the UCARS treasury.
21. Meeting Closed at 8:45 PM.

#### Coming Events:

VE Sessions: Union County Amateur Radio Society January 20th at 9:00 AM; Red Cross Building, Monroe  
The next Saturday Breakfast is February 17th at the Golden Corral in Monroe.