

Minutes of the Business Meeting of the Forsyth Amateur Radio Club - 18 Feb 2019

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1. Call to Order and Welcome: The monthly Board of Directors Business Meeting, Forsyth Amateur Radio Club, was held on Monday, 18 February 2019 at Sixty Six Pizzeria, 3440 Frontis St, Winston Salem. The meeting was called to order by FARC President Sam Poindexter, NI4TG, at 1927 hours, welcoming all meeting attendees.

2. Meeting Attendees: The 16 meeting attendees were Jerry Minor K4GW, Don Edwards WS4NC, Ian MacArthur W4STH, Stacey MacArthur W1LLO, Sam Poindexter NI4TG, Bobby Meier AA9AU, Harold Richardson N4HER, Michael Pope K4OLD, Kent Englebert K4HKE, Stephen Patterson WA3RTC, Steven Mierisch KG4JWU, Dale Mierisch WB9SZL, Geoffrey Rudy KK4MOV, Henry Heidtmann W2DZO, David Shoaf KC4X, Jeff Stafford AC4YN

3. Red Cross Building: The telephone system at the red cross was removed without notice leaving the club without a telephone in the building. Discussions were held on a replacement, or if one was needed at this point. Cable television service was also discussed on whether it was needed.

4. Ham Fest: Ham Fest sanction should be put in to the ARRL soon for the October date. David Shoaf, KC4X, will submit ASAP. Yearly or bi-yearly ham fest advertisement postal mailing was brought up to possibly increase foot traffic and is under consideration.

5. Meeting Room at Sixty Six Pizzeria: The new reservation system at Sixty Six Pizzeria is having issues, however we have been manually entered and have the business meeting room available to us for the remainder of the year.

6. Auxcomm: As previously stated at the monthly meeting, Skywarn training is the presentation for next month. The weekly Auxcomm nets are training events and all should make time to attend if possible.

7. Repeater Report: There is an upcoming change of ownership for the 145.47 repeater site on Sauratown Mountain. Steps have been taken to ensure all FARC assets are clearly marked and installed to operating systems to avoid any confusion. Antennas have been split off the duplexer and there should be a noticeably better signal. The new owners are installing high power digital transmitters at the site which may prove problematic for our receive capability, and so satellite receivers and internet connections were discussed. A movement was made, seconded and passed for installing internet at the Sauratown site.

8. Insurance: A committee is to be formed to catalog and update our inventory of equipment for insurance purposes.

9. Adjournment of Meeting: Motion to adjourn the meeting was made, seconded and meeting was adjourned at 2029 hours.