

# Minutes of the Forsyth Amateur Radio Club - 10 February 2020

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**1. Call to Order and Welcome:** The 10 February 2020 meeting of the Forsyth Amateur Radio Club at the Red Cross Building, 690 Coliseum Drive, was called to order by President Sam Poindexter (NI4TG) at 1915 hours. Sam welcomed all attendees, approximately 34, for coming out this evening, and invited each to give their name and callsign.

**2. Announcements:** North Carolina QSO party is Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup> from 10am - 8pm. This will be the first of our anniversary events using the callsign W4NC/90. Modes operated will be CW and phone. Any interested should contact Don Edwards (WS4NC) or just show up to the club shack on that day. The South Carolina QSO party is the day prior on February 29<sup>th</sup>, the club will be participating in that event as well. Hams@Home anniversary event details forthcoming.

**3. Treasurer's Report:** Treasurer Kent Englebert (K4HKE) gave a brief treasurer's report. January Hamfest takeaway was approximately \$600 after costs and deductions which is about average. Our balance in the bank is \$4379.27.

**4. Auxcomm/Ares:** Harlan Cobert (W1HRC) presented the Auxcomm report. If any Auxcomm member's information has changed, please submit a new form to Harlan, or email to [ares@w4nc.com](mailto:ares@w4nc.com). Hanging Rock hiking event, April 4<sup>th</sup> still needs people; 12-15 people are needed for this event. MS 10k walk on April 18<sup>th</sup> still needs volunteers as well; 6 are needed for this event.

**5. Testing and Repeater Report:** Dale Mierisch (WB9SZL) presented the testing and repeater report. Four people passed their tests at the testing session that night. Internet has been upgraded on the mountain by the ISP. The 145.47 repeater is up and running well, as is 146.64 with limited range. EchoLink is running well on .315 (Jerry Minor K4GW). 146.64 EchoLink server is down but being worked on.

**6. Program:** This month's program was by Stuart Smolkin, WA5EYI from the Ashville Radio museum. Learn more about the museum at [www.avradiomuseum.org](http://www.avradiomuseum.org). This program was streamed live to the Rowan Amateur Radio Society via YouTube. Due to unforeseen technical difficulties caused by a Windows update, the projector feed was unavailable and viewability was affected.

**7. Business Meeting:** Sam (NI4TG) reminded everyone about our upcoming business meeting next Monday at Sixty-Six Pizzeria on Frontis Plaza Street, right near Academy Sports. The meeting starts at 7:30; we get there between 6:00 and 7:30 to eat and hang around until 9 or so.

**8. Adjournment of Meeting:** A motion was made and seconded. Meeting was adjourned at 2036.

**9. Partial List of Meeting Attendees:** Below is a partial list of FARC meeting attendees.

Don Edwards WS4NC, Stacey MacArthur W1LLO, Sam Poindexter NI4TG, Mike Vernon W4MAV, Harold Richardson N4HER, Jim Register KV4SJ, Dale Mierisch WB9SZL, Steve Patterson WA3RTC, Jeff Stafford AC4YN, Mark Gaines KM4TUK, Henry Smith W4HHS, Mary McClellan KM4WPO, Bob McClellan W3AVB,

Jim Bielski KJ4FIN, Pedro Tomas KN4GKY, Van Key KC4WSK, Harlan Cobert W1HRC, Steven Mierisch KG4JWU, Jerry Minor K4GW, Jim Meek KN4UOP, Bill Seward W4EXT, Wayne Yankee KO4BUD, David Shoaf KC4X, Kent Englebert K4HKE, Doug Rice KJ4IGQ, Bruce Bailiff WB4QCM, Bruce Flood KK4YDG, Doug Spriggs W4DCS, Jeremy Brown Sr. KN4VVQ, David Nicholson N2AWE, Chris Rodie W4HJ, Adam Martin KN4GCB, Jim Atkins W4UX, Jeremy Brown Jr.