

Mississippi Coast Amateur Radio Association
Membership Meeting Minutes



Date: September 20, 2021

Meeting was called to order at 7:06PM

Staff Present;

Ben McMath W5SOF	President
Bob Jackson WX5RJ	Secretary
John Ryan KJ4NJT	Treasurer Absent/out of town
Bobby Allen KF5BA	Activities Manager/Past President
Jeff Wilmer W5JGW	Vice President was Absent/Out of Town

Opening Prayer: Bob Jackson WX5RJ

Pledge of Allegiance : Tom Hammack W4WLF

Club President, W5SOF, stated that we were doing presentations prior to meeting business. With that he turned the floor over to Gus WG5GK for a discussion about an incident that occurred at Denny's Restaurant. After the discussion the Board was asked for their comments on the issue;

1. In general the BOD was in agreement that there is no time that threats of any kind were ever appropriate by any club member towards another. 2. The continual use of the club repeater to transmit "digs" or in any way disparage other amateurs is wrong and must stop. 3. The gathering at Denny's is a fellowship of Hams and not a sanctioned club event.

After the BODs comments Joe KI5PKE addressed the group.

DOC N5AHM gave a short discussion on the requirements for amateurs to check radiation hazards at their transmitters and post a finding. ARRL has an app that can walk any member through the hazard survey,

Reports

The minutes were given out and reviewed. Motion to accept by Chris Second by DOC N5AHM. The Secretary made a short pitch for non members to consider joining the MCARA and for MCARA members who are not ARRL members to consider membership.

There were 19 present, 18 Club members 13 ARRL members

The Treasurer John KJ4NJT, gave the current balance was and accounting for club assets.

Bobby KF5BA gave the Activities Report, highlight was the upcoming Slidel, LA Hamfest. The Diabetes Walk that the club was going to assist was cancelled and rescheduled for March 5, 2022.

Old Business:

There was no old business addressed.

New Business:

Tom W4WLF gave a follow up on his presentation on Radio etiquette. Presentation is available on the W5SGL website.

Harry AB5FU (Net Manager) gave a short brief on the reported numbers to the state Section manger Malcolm W5XX.

Joe, KI5PKE, discussed the upcoming Island award program on Deer Island Oct 22-24, 2021. Sponsored by the Jackson County Amateur Club.

Ben, W5SOF, brought up the issue of Nominations for all club positions. Bobby, KF5BA was asked to be in charge of the Nomination Committee.

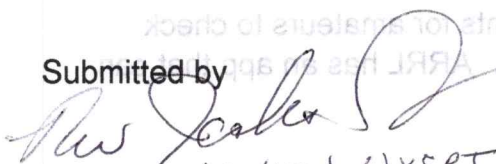
Billy KI5PKE made a motion to adjourn

Brenda KI5OWU Seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM

50/50 raffle was won by Tom W4WLF he donated all proceeds to the repeater fund \$77.00.

Submitted by


Robert JACKSON WXSRT
SECRETARY