

MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club

December 8, 2018 9:00 AM
Bayland Park Community Center
6400 Bissonnet, Houston, Texas

Board Members Present:

Mike Hardwick N5VCX (President)
Jon Noxon KF5TFJ (Rec. Secretary)

Jo Keener KE7NSB (2-yr @ Lg Dir)
Donovan Balli KG5BDZ (Treasurer)
Jimmy Vance W5ZTX (1-yr Director Elect)

Jeff Greer W5JEF (Cor. Secretary Elect)
Dave Eisner KD7THJ (Treasurer Elect)

Recorded by Jon Noxon, KF5TFJ Recording Secretary

- 1) Call to Order: The President called the meeting to order at 9:14 AM.
 - 2) Establishment of Quorum: A business quorum was established.
 - 3) Approval of Agenda: A motion made and seconded to approve the agenda.
 4. Club President's Opening Statement: The President thanked those present for attending the meeting, especially the new people.
 5. Emergency Business: None
 6. Approval of Minutes from Previous BOD Meeting: The Board approved the minutes for the November 2018 BoD meeting.
 7. Approval of Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's Report was approved.
 8. Old Business:
 - General Membership Meetings scheduled as follows, with topics not listed to be determined:
 - December 13, 2018 Home Brew Night (host Jon Noxon KF5TFJ)
 - Friday, January 18, 2019 BVARC Awards Banquet 6:30 pm at Papadeaux Seafood Kitchen on Westheimer. (Rick Hiller)
 - February 14, 2019 DXpedition
 - March 14, 2019 (open) (obligatory Ham Fest stuff)
 - April 11, 2019 (Arduino 101- Jon Noxon)
 - Status of Museum Ships donations; pending Ham Fest proceeds. Work going on today on Stewart to scope out needs.
 - Awards for awards banquet (Order of the Key, etc.).
 - Potential club activities discussions (other than monthly general meetings, GHHF, Field Day and so on).
 9. New Business:
 - General discussion on new future club activities beyond the well-established ones (Field Day, Chili and Elections, Ice Cream Social, Hamfest and so on). Suggestions included New Hams, Winter Field Day, Club picnic, Ham Radio Night at at Skeeters game, and others. Janzer offered the use of his beach house for the QRP FYBO event in February.
 - Topics for club meetings discussed. (suggestions included Slow-Scan TV, Satellite operations)
 - Club video projector discussed. Noxon to purchase and be paid back by club; to include a hard case.
 - VE testing to continue. The new VE Coordinator is Mark Janzer.
 - Long discussion held on lessons learned from Station in a Box raffle and future similar events.
 - Discussions regarding future of the club newsletter (BVARC Beacon).
 - John Chauvin's suggestion list in his December 5 email was put in abeyance.
 10. Cost Saving Measures: Still looking into this on an on-going item. Meeting place, Awards Banquet and Storage Locker are major expenses.
 11. Next BOD meeting date: January 5, 2019
- Future BoD dates: (all 2019) Feb 9, Mar 9, Apr 6, May 4, Jun 8, July 6, Aug 3, Sep 7, Oct 5, Nov 9, Dec 7 is Possible conflict with Pear Harbor Event
11. Comments: Discussions regarding enhancements to the BVARC Beacon for a calendar of events. New award for home brew (e.g. "Order of the Smoking Soldering Iron") suggested by Noxon.