

PCARS Board Meeting Minutes

July 3, 2017

Board Members Present:

Rick Kruis - K8CAV
Tom Sly – WB8LCD
Amy Leggiero – KD8SKL
Robert Gurney - N8RLG
Jim Wilson - AC8NT

Board Members Not Present:

Jim Aylward - KC8PD
Chuck Patellis – W8PT** (Resigned position as of 6/30/2017)

Club Members Present:

Erica Pelz - AE8YL
Terry Morris - KB8AMZ

The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM by President Rick - K8CAV.

Minutes from the June 2017 Board Meeting (see attached) Tom - WB8LCD:

Being there were no corrections or additions to the minutes, it was moved by Robert - N8RLG that we accept the minutes. The motion was seconded by Jim - AC8NT and passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report for June 2017 (see attached) Amy - KD8SKL:

The “Budget Summary” form was reviewed by Treasurer Amy – KD8SKL. It was moved by Jim - AC8NT that the report be accepted. The motion was seconded by Robert - N8RLG and passed unanimously.

Vice-President's Report Jim – AC8NT:

A discussion was held on the club picnic. It was decided that the club picnic would be combined with the OH BBQSO Party at the club-site. There was much discussion and it was also determined that this would also be morphed into a PCARS Club-site Open House. This will give everyone in PCARS a chance to come out to check out all the improvements that have been made and to get on the air in the QSO party. We will organize another open house in late September that would be open to the public. This could help build public recognition and awareness of PCARS and Ham Radio in General. Echo-link is all connected, but the radio needs a new final transistor to make power. Jim will take care of the fix. The August meeting will tentatively feature a Dayton ham, Frank will talk about loop antennas in September, November will be a presentation on C3 expedition and December will be the Christmas Party.

Past President's Report – Tom - WB8LCD

Tom had nothing to report as past president.

Trustees Report:

No report for July. Replacement of trustees who are resigning (W8PT and KC8PD) was discussed and Rick will have an election at the July general club meeting. Amy suggested that in our review of the By-laws that we add “job descriptions” and a participation requirement for the different positions

Field Day :

Chuck – W8PT was not present but it was agreed that FD 2017 was one of our best ever!

Tech Committee:

The new 80 / 40 meter dipoles should be ready to go up anytime. (Same as last month) All of the computers have been set up at the stations and should be operating identically.

New Business:

Rick – K8CAV suggested we may want to consider making a donation to Freedom Twp Park Fund. After discussion, Tom – WB8LCD moved we make a \$500 donation. Jim – AC8NT seconded the motion which passed unanimously. Rick also suggested we may want to sell the Micro-Keyer so that the equipment at each station position could be kept uniform. There was discussion and it was agreed to see what else the Micro-Keyer might have to offer as far as additional features that might make it something to hang onto.

Jim – AC8NT suggested some additional things we might like to have in the PCARS Lab not that it's ready to be used. We discussed a spectrum analyzer and DXE Coax and Crimp tools. We also discussed how the tools and the lab could be open for club member, but there should be limits on what can be borrowed, who can sign it out and how long it could be kept out.

A motion to adjourn was made by Robert - N8RLG, seconded by Jim - AC8NT, passed unanimously and the meeting was closed at approximately 8:15PM.

Submitted by: Tom WB8LCD – PCARS Secretary