



## WAARC November 13, 2018 meeting minutes

The “Hour of Power” before the meeting was a presentation by Dino, KL0S, on “What books should I get” providing a review of a number of useful reference materials for your ham shack.

The general meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance. There were 38 attending. President Dino, KL0S, called the meeting to order and welcomed all. The “Brag Can” was passed around and all introduced themselves. It was announced that George, K4GAM, was donating equipment to the club for sale. It started with two handheld radios that were quickly scooped up. Treasurer Ted (W3TB) announced his report was on the groups.io site. Secretary Dan (WG4F) reported that the minutes from the prior meeting were posted to the web and groups sites and both reports were approved. Bill (NR4C) thanked those participating in the Yorktown event which was the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday in October, also the date of the JOTA event. Bill noted this was the last special event for the year and gave a brief review of the event. QSL manager Toby (KL0SS) reported there were 10 cards received, 8 from the Yorktown event and 1 each from the Jamestown and Colonial Williamsburg events. Toby then presented Wally (WA3RWP) with the club special event certificate for completing contacts with each of the events. There was some discussion about a visually handicapped amateur who should receive a certificate. Wally (WA3RWP) polled the group concerning a class for upgrading to an Extra license and when would be the best time schedule. If you missed the meeting, you might let Wally know if you are interested. There was also discussion about another Technician license class next year and how to schedule it on weekends.

Chuck (AI4WU) mentioned the VOPEX exercise would take place in June. Chris (KC4CMR) discussed the Bush Gardens Christmas Dash event which will take place on December 2. This is an 8K run through the Bush Gardens Park with about 3000 participants. He also mentioned the program where JCC CERT graduates who get a technician license are provided with an HT from James City County and the concerns when contact has been lost. Chris and Marcus (WB5LFS) also mentioned the December 1 Skywarn recognition day.

There was a quick calendar review and mention of lunch Wednesday at Anna’s and the Saturday breakfast.

Dino (KL0S) discussed an update for the club ID buttons that Jim (AF4QG) makes. It was moved that the club provide 100 blanks for these at a cost of approximately \$65.00 to Jim. The motion passed. Dino also reported that one of the club folding tables was falling apart and it was moved and passed that the club would replace it for up to \$50.00. Dino reported that a free club table is allowed at FrostFest but it cannot be used for sales. The club has purchased a table for members to use in the past for \$35.00. The purchase of a club table was approved. (Frostfest will be February 2).

A nominating committee was established for the officer elections for the election to be held in January. Kerry (NH2A), Dave (AJ4XV), and Toby (KL0SS) will make up the nomination committee. There was discussion concerning the annual club dinner and options for it. Toby and Anita (KH2FX), members of the food committee, will be doing research. Dave, AJ4XV, described the issue with Cox email and emails from the

Groups.io service. Paul, KI4SNN, reported the annual Fords Colony model train exhibit would be at the library December 1-2.

A special election was held to replace Ted, W3TB, as treasurer since he will not be available in January. Greg Pula, K3RM, was elected as our interim treasurer. He and Ted will accomplish the transfer along with two members appointed for oversight review.

Our program was a presentation by Ted, W3TB, on Wider Window OCF Antenna design and practice. He presented a design for his Window OCF with modeling results and concepts for maximizing signal for DX operation.

Attendees:

AB1AX	Tom		K8LF	Jerome		KN4JRH	Dwight
AI4QQ	John		KB4YFK	John		KN4KXK	Jay
AI4WU	Chuck		KC4CMR	Chris		KT4JB	John
AJ4RS	Bob		KH2FX	Anita		N3JGN	Jerry
AJ4XV	Dave		KI4IZF	Rhona		NH2A	Kerry
AK4XH	Martin		KI4SNN	Paul		NR4C	Bill
K1NUH	Ed		KI4VMB	David		W3TB	Ted
K3MEV	Marie		KJ4TJI	Tom		W4ODY	Dennis
K3PRP	Keith		KK4OXB	Jeff		WA3RWP	Wally
K3RM	Greg		KL0S	Dino		WA4LMG	Bill
K4MI	Will		KL0SS	Toby		WA6ILT	David
K4MRO	Michael		KM4YSN	Randy		WB5LFS	Marcus
			no call	Jim		WG4F	Dan

Respectfully submitted, Dan, WG4F. Please send any corrections or additions to me.