

Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association Board Meeting Minutes

I. Call to order (12:42 hrs)

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) called to the Board Meeting of the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association, Inc at 12:42 EDT (17:42 UTC) on November 22, 2020 on ZOOM. A quorum was present with 9 board members.

II. Voting over Zoom

The meeting started with a discussion how to vote over ZOOM. The concern was to maintain anonymity during the voting process. It was established that if needed, this can be achieved even over ZOOM.

III. Nomination of Parliamentarian

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) nominated Jeff Stahl (K4BH) for the position of Parliamentarian. It was questioned whether the President has the authority to do so. Erik Olmer (W4EJO) confirmed that the President in fact does have the authority to nominate a Parliamentarian.

IV. Miscellaneous Business

Melanie Fernandez (JK4VCT) reminded all officers that an officer will be removed after missing 3 executive meetings. The question was asked whether these meeting have to be consecutive or not. Question was not answered during the meeting.

A moment of Silence was suggested for the SKs of 2020 in the next general meeting.

V. Post Office Box

Joe McGee (NX4T) withdrew his objections to how we are currently attending to our post office box. Everything stays they way it is.

VI. PayPal

The option to pay your club dues over PayPal will be in place by E/11. Erik Olmer (W4EJO) will setup the PayPal account

Erik Olmer (W4EJO) and John Cole (N1QFH) will work out the details how the option will be implemented on the website.

The email address for the treasurer is gcaratreasurer@gmail.com.

VII. Repeater Report

All repeaters are working. Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR) has not been at the Boca location yet. Melanie asked for a 12/15 deadline for this action item. All we need are the serial numbers of all the equipment at the Boca location.

VIII. HF Project

Joe McGee (NX4T) reported that we are on all major bands at this time. Tuner is back in line.

Problem: Hard to compete because of the low power. It is not recommended to go high power due to the technical issues we still have. Antenna can't handle more power and RF coming back into shack. Tuner can only handle 300@

IX. Winter Field Day

Winter Field Day in 01/2021 will be conducted in the same manner as the Sommer Field Day of 2020. Individual contestants will participate on behalf of the club from their own homes. Joe McGee (NX4T) will right the rules. The Winter Field Day is January 30/31, 2020.

X. Speaker Certificates

Michael Wolf (K2HXC) will email template for certificates to Melanie.

XI. FYE Change

Erik Olmer (W4EJO) suggested to change the FYE from CYE to November. Suggestion was briefly discussed and then TBLD until next meeting.

XII. Next Board Meeting

Next Board Meeting is scheduled for December 13, 2020 at 12:30 hrs (UTC 17:30)

XIII. Adjournment

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) adjourned the meeting at 13:41 EDT (18:41 UTC).