



Meeting Date: October 23, 2022
7378 W. Atlantic Blvd #147
Margate, FL 33063

Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association

Board Meeting Minutes

1) Call to Order

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) called on ZOOM to order the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association's Board meeting at 14:39 EDT (18:39 UTC) on October 23, 2022. A quorum was present with five board members.

Members present: Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT), Ricki Witte (KJ4FSJ), Charlie Artner (KN4VDW), Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR), Tom Savoca (K9TJS), Jeff Stahl (K4BH)

Members Absent (Excused): Erik Olmer (W4EJO)

Guests: Barry Porter (KB1PA), Robert Ligum (KN4WII),

2) Old Business

a) Echo Link – Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR)

Still on hold

b) WinLink – Charlie Artner (KN4VDW)

Charlie Artner (KN4VDW) started the installation and can send and receive via a telnet session. The next step is configuring WinLink to work with his radio to test the RF patch. Charlie Artner (KN4VDW) will determine at what frequency WinLink is operating.



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c) HF Station – Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR)

The radio is working, but there are still technical difficulties with keeping the radio connected with TX. Charlie Artner (KN4VDW) moved to pay for any repairs/replacement of Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR) personal radio should he put it up while we are working on the technical issues with the remote station owned by the club. The motion was seconded by Jeff Stahl (K4BH). Motion carried 6:0

d) Banners

Tom Savoca (K9TJS) proposed coloring options for the logo. Jeff Stahl (K4BH) moved to table the motion to adopt the colored logo. Second by Erik Olmer (W4EJO). Motion carried 7/0.

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) suggested discussing the size of the banners. We need a table banner which should be 6ft x 2ft; 1 banner for the pavilion size TBD; 1 long event banner, 10ft x 3ft. Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) will get estimates from Edco, and Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR) will get estimates from the UPS store nearby.

e) Boca Repeater – Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR)

We may not have to go to a different location since the new buildings around the hospital will not be as tall as expected. In addition, the new site suggested by Robert Ligung (KN4WII) may likely have too much noise on top of the building.

f) Money Minder Status on Data

Erik Olmer (W4EJO) ensured that all members current on their dues have up-to-date data in the money minder.



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3) New Business

a) November Board Elections

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) suggested voting for each position individually this year. She also mentioned that many club members could not make the November meeting. How is proxy voting defined in the bylaws?

b) Brick for Joe Ruby KJ4OW

Charlie Artner (KN4VDW) moved to pay for Joe Ruby (KJ4OW) immediately. The motion was seconded by Ricky Eaton (KD4HGR) Motion carried 6:0

c) BARC Repeater

146.910 repeater is up again.

d) President of BARC

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e) New meeting location.

Eric Rodriguez will give Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) contacts at Calvary Chapel to start negotiations.

f) October ARRL Grant

Because we are not prepared for the Grant Application, we are not pursuing this at the moment.

4) Adjournment

Melanie Fernandez (KJ4VCT) adjourned the meeting at 15:56 EDT (19:29 UTC).

Minutes Submitted by Charlie Artner (KN4VDW)

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