



Minutes of Monthly General Membership Meeting November 25, 2025

Call to Order – The regular meeting of the Gold Coast Amateur Radio Association, Inc., on Tuesday, November 25, 2025, began at 7:31 p.m. The meeting was held in person at Imperial Point Hospital and was also available on Zoom.

Present – Officers, members and guests present in person were: Ben Echavarria, N7BBE, President; Dirk Basting, N4AN, Treasurer; Jeff Stahl, K4BH, Director at Large; Ricki Witte, KJ4FSJ, Secretary Pro Tem; Jerry Deitch, W4LST; Carol Shursen, KJ4AWB; and Allan Karden, N4ALK. Attending by Zoom were: Ricky Eaton, KD4HGR, Repeater Trustee; Tom Savoca, K9TJS Public Information Officer; William Polera, KR4GEN; Dan Vasilca, AI4WW; Elliot Spiro, N2HYD; and guest speaker Sammy Hadi.

Announcements – Ben reminded members to lend their support to the ARRL's efforts to obtain passage of proposed legislation limiting antenna restrictions that can be imposed by homeowner associations. [The bills introduced in the House and Senate are HR 1094 and S 459; the website is send-a-letter.org/hoa.]

Election of Officers – No one had announced candidacy for any of the offices, so nominations were taken from the floor. Only one person was nominated for each position, and all nominees consented to serve. Since there were no alternatives to vote on, the slate was elected by acclamation. The following persons were elected to serve a one-year term:

President: Ben Echavarria, N7BBE
Vice President: Ricky Eaton, KD4HGR
Treasurer: Dirk Basting, N4AN
Secretary: Ricki Witte, KJ4FSJ
Director at Large: Jeff Stahl, K4BH
PIO: Tom Savoca, K9TJS

Reports – Dirk Basting gave the Treasurer's Report, a copy of which is attached to these Minutes. An additional \$30 income was received after the report had been printed, so the ending balance total is \$8,669.04.

Ricky Eaton said he was leaving the next day and would be out of town until November 30th. Jeff Stahl said no one had appeared for license testing before the meeting.

Raffle – Dirk Basting won the 50/50 raffle and donated the proceeds to the club.

Speaker - Sammy Hadi, a meteorologist from the National Weather Service, gave a talk over Zoom on space weather.

Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

Ricki Witte, KJ4FSJ
Secretary