

MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 21, 2018 MEETING

By Bob Buus, W2OD, Secretary

President Howard Suffill, W2HTS was called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM at the Red Cross. There were 19 members present. After the pledge to the flag, all present introduced themselves.

Health and Welfare

Past GSARA member and Officer Mario Sellitti, N2PVP lost his wife of 48 years, Barbara, on November 17. Our condolences to Mario and his family.

Len, WB2PCY continues his struggle with medical problems but is feeling better and dreaming up changes to his radio shack. We hope to see him soon.

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Jeff, KZ2G and seconded by Art, N2AJO to accept the minutes from the last meeting as published on the members only web page. The motion passed unanimously.

A letter was received from Paul Roman thanking us for our participation in the Twin Lights Bike Tour and included a \$300 donation to GSARA.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer John, KC2YWL was absent so there was no Treasurer's report.

Old Business

Howard, W2HTS was asked about the status of the internet connectivity at the Red Cross. The access jacks are in the radio room but it is not known whether they are active yet. Art, N2AJO reported that the new Wi-Fi is operating at the Red Cross and guests now have to register with the Red Cross before gaining access.

Howard, W2HTS was asked about the status of the remote operation of the IC-7300. He pointed out that we are still waiting for completion of the internet access in the radio room before we can proceed. It was pointed out that the old \$100 software to remotely operate the 7300 is now obsolete and the new package costs \$150. There might be free software available to operate the IC-7300. Stay tuned.

The Field Day results are posted in the December issue of QST. The W2GSA score is at the bottom of the first column on page 84. We placed second out of 6 entries for 2F in NNJ and 20th out of 72 entries for the US and Canada.

The following Officers have been nominated to serve for 2019:

President – Art Olson, N2AJO
Vice President – Denis Commette, K2NPT
Secretary – John King, KA2F
Treasurer – John Chunga, KC2YWL
Chief Engineer – Phil Festa, N2EDX

Since all candidates are unopposed, a motion was made by Tom, N2VFK and seconded by Matthew, N2UG to have the secretary cast a single vote to elect the above slate. With unanimous approval, the slate was voted in.

New Business

Alan, W2NIR asked if GSARA might consider setting up a scholarship noting the many scholarships shown in the September QST. To get into the FAR scholarship system would require endowing a fund to provide the scholarship from the earnings and interest of the fund.

Close

The 50/50 prize of \$19 was won by Matthew, N2UG who donated it back to the club. Thank you, Matthew! A motion was made by Marty, N2BMK and seconded by John, KA2F to adjourn the meeting which was closed at 8:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Buus, W2OD, Secretary