

## Garden State Amateur Radio Association

### Minutes of Meeting of January 16, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Art Olson N2AJO at 7:30 p.m. and members present introduced themselves. Under Health and Welfare there was nothing to report. Under the Secretary's report, the reading of the minutes of the prior meeting which were published in the club website was waved on a motion by Bob Buus W2OD and a second by Art Goldberg W2NAZ. The Treasurer's report detailed moving of \$65 petty cash into the main account; receipt of \$310 in 2019 dues; reimbursement of \$27.50 to Bob Buus for the club's NJ Certificate of Incorporation; reimbursement of \$311.46 to Phil Festa for new batteries for the repeater; the ending balance was \$6,503.74. Twenty-nine members have paid dues thus far. This report was accepted on motion and second of Chris Wantuck and Paul Perry.

An application for membership by Gary M. Bode AB2TR was accepted upon the motion and second of Jim Griffith and Bob Buus, with unanimous approval by members present.

Art N2AJO reported that the winner of the club's Member of the Year 2018 award is Chris Wantuck and that a luncheon will be held at Zachary's restaurant on a Saturday afternoon on a date to be decided.

Denis K2NPT reported on the new club page on QRZ.com and gave a brief overview of Field Day plans.

Paul AD7I reported on his New Ham Help initiative by which he will make contact via a postal mailed letter to some 100 area hams who were newly licensed as Technicians and invite them to come for two meeting sessions followed by assignment of club mentors. This will take place in late February.

Phil reported on the renovations being done to the radio room.

Art N2AJO asked Bob W2OD to join with Treasurer John Chunga for an audit of the club books for 2018.

John KA2F spoke on the club's outgoing QSL card process with the ARRL bureau. Also, he spoke about the founding of GSARA W2GSA on May 10, 1950 memorialized in a framed certificate made by Denis K2NPT to be hung on the radio room wall.

AD7I Paul recounted his activity in elimination of powerline generated radio noise and interference by the Power and Light Co.

Denis K2NPT noted that some 40 books and DVDs will be organized for the club library.

Twenty-four members and one guest were present.

The 50/50 of \$23 was won by Chris Wantuck.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:40 p.m.