

GCARC BOD Meeting Agenda

10/7/2025

1. Welcome
2. Prior Business
 1. Trailer Update- Logo and wrap -- \$250 each. Need 4. 1 donated (Greg Stratton KD0ZWV). Leaves \$750 -- discuss next week at Budget meeting
 2. Newsletter Editor Update -- James Shiplet KI5BMN will do it. James is converting it to Word for him.
3. New Business
 1. Issues with Repeater: Net Problems -- James Hunt KI5DQ, who attended via Zoom, explained that the problem was "quick keying". The repeater will shut down after so many quick keys. We need to develop a protocol for switching to other repeaters. We will test this next month.
 2. November Elections
 1. Officer Nomination
 1. President: Jo VanSlogteren K5EKA (Thanks)
 2. V Pres: Steve Ollmann KC5NK (Thanks, again)
 3. Sec: Ralph Jerome KI5NUK (Thanks!)
 4. Treas: Matt McClellan KJ5HTD (Thanks, again.)
 2. Updates:
 1. Notes: The URLs that forward our mail needed updating. We approved to reimburse James Frank KW5CW for those payments.
 2. Notes:
 3. Announcements
 4. Education: Panel -- Tamara will prepare questions and get them to the panelists so there will be no surprises. Current panelists: Matt McClellan KJ5HTD, Ralph Jerome KI5NUK, Jimmy Patterson KC5OLH, Dave Piekarski K5EEN, James Hunt KI5DQ
 5. Other:
 3. Planning
 1. Christmas Party:
 1. Marketing
 2. Location: Calhoun's 2.0 (in Denison on Texoma Pkwy just north of 691
 3. Planning Challenges: We can get in at 6 p.m. to set up the auction. Party starts at 7. End? 10, 11,12 -- when we're done.
 4. Food: Full Barbecue spread -- brats, pulled pork, salads, sides, etc.
 5. Awards: Keep it to a minimum so we can visit and dance. We voted to create the Lee Sly Award for Excellence in Amateur Radio Operation (of the year)
 6. Gifting: We will give away 3 nice gifts.

7. Silent Auction
 1. Donated Working Radio Inventory -- Michael Higgins will prepare the sheets of paper for bidding.
8. Other: Cost: \$20 for a meal, add gratuity and iced tea and coffee: Charge \$30 for @ (not required if don't eat); \$200 to open the doors (utilities, DJ, music, dance instruction, cleanup), \$125 for bartender. Committed to 60 people (give or take). We voted to apply the \$600 budgeted for the party to the cost.
2. 2026 Budget: Meeting Nov 11 -- Mariachi's at 7 to prepare budget for 2026 for January meeting vote
3. New BOD Orientation --James Frank is working with Matt for treasurer's job and James Shiplet for newsletter.
4. Winter Field Day -- Andrew Bentley will book Eisenhower's Cabin -- he was to do it tonight, he said.
5. Other Events

James Frank KW5CW moved to adjourn at 8:08. Passed.

In attendance: Michael Higgins KI5ZIQ, Tamara Higgins KI5ZIP, James Frank KW5CW, Jo VanSlogteren K5EKA, Matt McClellan KJ5HTD, Doug Hotalen KG5QOI, James Hunt KI5DQ (viz Zoom), Ricky Jessen KG5FDT (viz Zoom)