

General Meeting minutes for 10/10/2019

- Marcus KF4YHP, greeted everyone.
- 146.980 continues to have issues. For now, we will use 147.320 for calling nets and emergency communication. Mike, TRK is going to handle fixing the power supply.
- SET (Simulated Emergency Test) is coming up on 10/26. More details to follow. Terry will work on a plan.
- Jason mentioned the Girl Scouts were looking for help in getting their radio merit badge.

Treasurer Report

- William, KM4SKC was absent. In his stead Robert gave an update.
- As of the last meeting, there is \$4,725.15 in the checking.
- Since then William deposited approximately \$190. He will provide an exact total at the next meeting.
- Today (10/10) the insurance company gave an update, said the rate is still the same. William will pay the bill in the next day or two.
- 17 in attendance

Secretary / Webmaster Report

- We are still promoting our Slack page. Go to <http://w4shl.com/slack.php> to find sign up instructions.
- Wally Coker (wally.coker@gmail.com) was approached by Joe Finkel KN4FMB jmfinkel@bellsouth.net about JOTA this year for the Vulcan District at a location in Hoover. They are looking for a couple of volunteers to help Joe out.
- Mickey, N4MB, is running for Director of ARRL for the Southeastern Division. He asked us to pass along a message to the membership, you will find it at the end of this report.
- Central Alabama Tailgate and Swap Meet is coming up on Oct 19. Please see our club website for details.
- In a piece of great news, the bathroom door at the meeting site has been fixed so it no longer sticks.
- Asked about doing a 5th Thursday Hungry Ham dinner, since the 5th Thursday is on Halloween. There was enough interest to have it.

Vice Presidents Report

- Looking for programs.
- Next meeting Roger Parsons will come and present on ARES.
- Meeting after that is currently open.
- Christmas party coming up – Will be using SLACK to communicate

Net Control

- We are looking for net control operators. The script is on the webpage under Nets & Repeaters. Contact Mike W4TRK for coordination.

Presentation

Michael, KA4VCA gave a program on Nanovna Vector Network Analyzer

Message from Mickey, N4MB

Is there a way to get this to your membership email list? If so, I'd appreciate it...

I'm running for Director of the ARRL representing the ARRL Southeastern Division. This is one of the 15 board members that determines policy for the entire ARRL. Some of you know me - many of you don't. If you are an ARRL member, you will be getting a ballot any day that must be received back by November 15. I believe that we need a change in direction at ARRL that should take a meaningful approach to HOA restrictions, growing membership and spectrum protection.

You can find out more at my Facebook group

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/608407492968822/>

or my website

<http://n4mb.com>

If you have questions or comments, I will answer them there, or here if the moderators allow, or reach out to me at n4mb@arrl.net.

73,

Mickey N4MB