

Snohomish County Hams Club

General Membership Meeting

Minutes (corrected)

February 23, 2019

1. The meeting was called to order at 0800 by the President Dave Cornell W9LD
2. Announcements.
 - A. The following announcements were made by the president:
 - (1) The attendance roster is being passed around; please add your name if not listed.
 - (2) There is a 'get well' card being circulated for Dave Williamson who is a former member of the Club who worked very hard for the club but is currently hospitalized.
3. Introductions
 - A. The president made a call for first time visitors. There were a few first time visitors who introduced themselves:
 - (1) Randy Johnson
 - (2) Jennifer KJ7ARG
 - (3) Donna NK6PNG
 - (4) Paul Pechner KJ6ORG
 - B. The membership introduced themselves.
 - C. The President announced that Kerry Burnett AG7SC was NET control for the YL NET and her husband, Michael AF7KB is an author of a new book.
 - D. Tickets for the 50/50 raffle will be sold at the back of the room until 0845 and a drawing will be held at 0900.
4. Reports
 - A. Secretary's Report - Roger Hoot announced that the minutes of the last meeting (January 2019) had been posted on the Club website and requested approval of the posted minutes. A motion was made by Randy Mather to accept the minutes, it was seconded and approved by vote. The President announced that if anyone needed a reminder of what the website password is, they could ask the Secretary.
 - B. Treasurer's report – Randy Mather announced that the monthly treasurer's report had been posted on the Club website. A motion was made by Roger Hoot to accept the report as posted; it was seconded and approved by vote. Randy further reported that the Club website has experienced some down time but is now operational.
 - C. John Van Dalen displayed a 'Worked All States' Certificate from the ARRL that had been awarded to the Club.
 - D. The president announced that we had mixed success at the Westgate School event. Anne Garay K2MTN elaborated on what equipment/stations were exhibited. The school was appreciative of our efforts and provided a thank-you card.
 - E. The president announced that we have reserved the Senior Center facility in Lake Stevens to hold our '7QP' field event on 4 May. We need a coordinator for that event.
 - F. Randy Mather provided the VE report: There was one test session conducted on 1/26/2019 with the following results:
 - (1) 8 Voluntary Examiners were present
 - (2) 11 tests were administered to 8 candidates with the following results:
 - (a) 5 new HAMs at the Technician Level
 - (b) 2 upgraded from Technician to the General Level (Tim Kephart)
 - (c) 1 upgraded from General class to Extra (Kerry Burnett)

G. Education Report was made by Jim Blake who stated that the next class would be on 1-3 March. We're expecting about eight students. He will try to set one for May-June. He announced that he'd received a telephonic request from a FEMA office who would like us to provide a class during the week. That will require Board discussion. Randy reported that a team of six members had been formed to develop a training curriculum for a General license class. They will have their first meeting after today's membership meeting. Randy's goal is to have 'hands-on' classes at various locations.

H. Roger announced the names of two new Club members:

(1) Paul Pechner KJ6ORG

(2) Sara Rood KM6HEW

5. Presentation - Henry Poland presented a class on the PL259 connector: Dave Somers announced that he is video recording the monthly presentations and that they get posted on U-Tube at 'WA7LAW'. Henry described how a PL259 is constructed and how it connects to coax cable. He was joined by Jim Blake who focused on how to use tape to seal the coax and connector after soldering the connector to the coax.

6. The 50/50 raffle drawing was held. Ticket number 4916220 was drawn. It was held by Randy Mather AJ7B who received \$40, which was half of the \$79 pot.

7. Victor Harris presented a question concerning what actions should be taken when a licensed HAM encounters unauthorized operators using HAM frequencies. There was discussion that favored advising the unauthorized users of their violation, then terminating the dialogue.

8. The meeting was adjourned at 0900.

Submitted by Roger Hoot KF7WVT
Secretary