

**Wilson Amateur Radio Club
Minutes October 5, 2024**

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Jeff Seligman. 13 were present.

Present: Michael Ramsey, Margaret Ann Trail, Darrell Wiggins, Grey Pendleton, George "Mac" Reppert, Glenn Lees, Chris DuBois, Tom Parker, Jeffrey Seligman, Michael Jordan, Larry Puhl, Cheryl Puhl, Pat Fitzhugh

Minutes of the September meeting were approved as distributed by Chris on BAND.

Old Business: Chris moved with second by Glenn to purchase a 10 ft. wide banner and a tablecloth similar to the one WEMA uses. The estimated total will be approximately \$350 which is under the \$500 amount allocated at the September meeting for a banner. Motion passed. Chris asked for members to give input at this meeting into the designs he created. Chris will obtain final quotes and obtain approval from the club officers before placing an order.

A moment of silence honoring recently deceased member Ron Thomas KK4LNY. The members hope Ron's son Scott will continue to participate with the Club.

Nominees are needed for 2025 officers: the following are positions that are currently known to need nominees: secretary, outside events officer, Education/Programs officer. Margaret Ann read the section of the bylaws pertaining to . Glenn moved to have Chris be chair with volunteers Michael Jordan and Jeff Seligman. Michael Jordan seconded; Motion passed. The nominees are to be presented for vote at the November meeting. Chris will send email asking that members indicate their interest in serving in one of the positions. Nominations can be made from the members at the November meeting. Current officers for positions not listed above have indicated they will continue in their roles for another term.

Motion by Glenn to allot \$400 for the club to purchase VE testing software, travel router and 8 tablets for use in testing. Second by Mac. Motion passed. Testing must be electronic effective January 1. 3 VEs are still required to administer the test. Daryl's equipment has been used the last several test sessions. The equipment will be housed by one of the VE testers. Phillip is not interested in working with the electronic version. Testing conducted by WCAR will continue to be in person, not on-line.

An issue with Lebanon repeater 147105 has been reported to Marty. The power is dropping.

Margaret Ann Trail reported the checking account balance is \$5554.28.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 PM.

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Michael Jordan gave the program. He demonstrated pieces of equipment he devised for Fox Hunting where a transmitter is hidden and the game is to find it. The practical application is to find spurious transmitter or jamming. The battery powered transmitter was inserted into PVC pipe with an antenna attached. Then the pipe was sealed to prevent water damage.

Michael announced that next week the International Space Station will be transmitting pictures. Apps can be obtained for both android and apple phones.

Glenn announced that he has an Emmet J 269 antenna tuner with a rechargeable battery for sale for \$100.

Documented by Margaret Ann Trail