



# Newark Amateur Radio Association NARA



## Business Meeting Minutes November 19, 2022

- ❖ **Call to Order:** The meeting was held at the Newark Red Cross and a Zoom session was hosted by Ken K8DQ. The meeting was called to order by Ron WE8V at 6:00pm. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, members and guests introduced themselves to the group. A total of Twenty-Four (24) members and guests attended the meeting in person or online.

- ❖ **Attendance**

Ron WE8V	Ken K8DQ	Beau KD8FVW	Dwight W8TJT
Bob KE8UJG	LaVergne N8HLP	Tim K8TMW	Donna KE8OXT
Jeff N8ADX	Mike WD8JLP	Russ W8ATA	Terry KE8UUO
Mary Kay KE8UUN	Nathan KE0RYO	James W3VPK	Caleb – No Call
Nicki KE8UQP	Jeff KC8OQI	Weldon K8NQ	Mary Beth KD8OMU
Thom AD8AG	Fritz WD8E	Steve N8WL	Connie WD8ODC

- ❖ **Reading of Minutes of the Last Meeting:** By Ken K8DQ. Prior to the meeting, the minutes of the October 2022 NARA business meeting had been posted on the NARA Website and electronically distributed to the members. The members present were queried for any corrections. No addition or corrections were suggested. A motion was made by Dwight W8TJT and seconded by Mike WD8JLP, to approve the minutes as corrected. Following a vote, the motion passed.
- ❖ **Treasurer's Report:** The club treasurer, Beau KD8FVW provided an accounting of the current bank account balances, income and expenses. A motion to approve the report was made by LaVergne N8HLP and seconded by Dwight W8TJT. Following a vote, the report was accepted.

❖ **President's Report:** Ron WE8V

No report

❖ **Vice President's Report:** Dwight W8TJT

The school's graphics department is currently is expanding and will soon be able to accept the club's order for new t-shirts.

John Lala KC8MIS is doing well and sends his regards to the club.

❖ **Committee Reports:**

- Membership & Attendance Committee: Ken K8DQ  
As of November 19, 2022 there are 66 paid members, and 1 life member for a total of 67 active club memberships.

- Repeater Management Committee: Russ W8ATA

Russ continues to monitor the repeater site. Temperatures are stable, and rodents are under control.

- Education / Program Committee:

Upcoming Programs: Ken K8DQ

- November – Ken K8DQ: 100+ Things to Do with Ham Radio
- December – Annual Elections & Pizza Party (no program)

- ARES / Emergency Management Committee: Ron WE8V

Alan N8CJ indicated nothing new to report. LaVergne N8HLP provided and update on the ARES/CERT trailer upgrades.

CERT: Mike WD8JLP

Things are moving slowly with CERT, no current activity.

LaVergne N8HLP and Matthew KD8GTP reported that the CERT/ARES trailer updates include new foot switches and headsets, and new cameras on the trailer to observe outside activity. Console has been removed to make radios more portable.

Social & Reception Committee: Mary Beth KD8OMU

No committee report. Pumpkin Cake & Brownies were provided for refreshment.

History & Archives Committee: Mary Beth KD8OMU

Hoping to bring scrapbooks to next month's meeting

❖ **Old Business:**

LaVergne N8HLP and Mike WD8JLP, serving as the 2022 nominating committee, explained the annual election process and shared current nominations for officer and trustee roles. Additional nominations were accepted from the floor. Elections will be held during the December 2022 business meeting, where additional nominations can be made from the floor, prior to the elections. Ballots will be available electronically for those members choosing to participate via Zoom meeting.

❖ **New Business:**

Russ W8ATA shared some recent concerns regarding our repeater locations and possible tampering with club assets and interests. Club officers have taken these concerns under advisement and will remediate concerns as appropriate.

Additional group discussion surrounding the introduction of the Facebook group for Newark Amateur Radio Association raised awareness for the need to establish clarity around the club's social media strategy and how to best leverage these technology tools for the benefit of the club. Beau KD8FVW suggest the club establish a social media committee. Ron WE8V asked that we table the discussion for further investigation and comment.

❖ **Swap & Shop:**

No reports

❖ **Announcements & Events:**

- Nets:
  - NARA, Tuesdays at 21.00, 146.88, pl 141.3 (On the last Tuesday of the month the NARA net will be on 444.50, pl 141.3.)
  - ARES, 1st & 3rd Wednesdays at 21.00. 146.88, pl 141.3
  - Buckeye Net: Multi-Mode, Thurs, Sat & Sun at 13:00, 60M Ch. 4
  - Central Ohio Traffic Net, Central Ohio Radio Club (CORC), daily net at 7:15pm 146.970, pl 123.0

- COOKEN, Thursdays at 20:30, 50.500MHz, SSB
- Digital practice net after the regular COOKEN Net, 9pm
- Licking County Skywarn DMR net Saturday evening at 21:00 on TG 31685.
- Fairfield ARES Nets, Mondays at 19:00, 146.700 pl 94.8
- Fairfield County ARC Net, Mondays at 21:00, 147.030 pl 71.9
- Mt. Vernon ARC Nets, Sundays at 21:00, 146.790 pl 71.9
- Ohio ARES HF Net, Tuesdays at 19:00, 3.850 MHZ
- Popular central Ohio Simplex frequencies: 145.70, 146.46, 145.55

❖ **Adjournment:** Jeff KC8OQI motioned for adjournment, seconded by Tim K8TMW. The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 PM.

❖ **Program:**

Ken K8DQ share a presentation of **100+ Things to Do with Amateur Radio**. Those present had an enjoyable interactive discussion sharing experiences with multiple facets of our hobby.

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Please send additions or corrections to [secretary@n8ara.org](mailto:secretary@n8ara.org)

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