



W5AC

Texas A&M University Amateur Radio Club



Wednesday, 05 May 2021

Minutes from the May 2021 General Business Meeting

President/WG1GEM called the meeting to order at 1936L, Vice President/KG5HZE, Treasurer/KI5BVJ, and Secretary/KE0MXN were present. 14 members (11 voting, 1 non-voting 2 expired) and 2 guests were also present.

Officer Reports

- **President's Report**
 - **Meeting Introduction:** WG1GEM brought the meeting to order and thanked everyone for coming despite this meeting taking place during finals.
 - **Shack:** WG1GEM noted that the shack remains closed.
- **Vice President's Report**
 - **Summer Activities:** KG5HZE remarked that the club hopes to have several events this summer, including the Field Day, a fox hunt, and more. If you want W5AC to do something this summer, reach out the the ListServ.
 - **Exams:** KG5HZE noted that exams may be possible over the summer, assuming the club has enough VEs.
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - **Treasurer's Report:** KI5BVJ delivered the treasurer's report. *See "Motions and Votes"*.
- **Secretary's Report**
 - **Meeting Minutes:** KE0MXN summarized the April meeting minutes. *See "Motions and Votes"*.

Director Reports

- **Historian's Report**
 - **QSLs:** W5QZ exhibited QSL cards from TZ1 and ZL7X, an army radiomen patch, and a radio merit badge from BSA.
 - **Bonfire:** W5QZ exhibited memorabilia from his time working as a radio operator for bonfire on behalf of W5AC, including his white pot.
 - **Galvanometer:** W5QZ exhibited and described a Unipivot galvanometer.

Club Business

- **Fall Meetings:** WG1GEM noted that the operating assumption is that W5AC will return to the usual meeting date and time, likely in-person, once the fall semester starts.
- **Fireside Chats:** WG1GEM noted that the fireside chats will continue in the summer as members show up to them. Visit tx.ag/w5acfiresidechat to join in.

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- **Shack:** KI5MBV asked when the shack will be open, to which the EC and N5TLT responded that it will likely open by fall, as campus capacity returns to normal on 1 June. W5QZ noted that on-campus happenings could begin soon.
- **Graduating Seniors:** KG5HZE will be staying for a master's, while KG5SDD will be entering the real world. Best of luck to both!
- **Field Day:** WG1GEM et al. Noted that W5BCS intends to host field day this year during the fourth full weekend of June (26-27 June). The goal is to make as many QSOs as possible. W5AC will likely run the GOTA station for W5BCS. This is a great opportunity for folks who are new to the hobby to get on the air and make their first contacts. W5QZ noted that this year there are multiple transmitters at field day, so we can have multiple operators at a time. He also noted that some folks travel from far away to work with the W5BCS / W5AC stations, and that they will likely have BBQ and a raffle.
- **Elections:** KI5CLW ran the election and posted the following results:
 - President: WG1GEM
 - Vice President: KG5HZE
 - Secretary: KE0MXN
 - Treasurer: KI5BVJ
- **Antenna:** W5QZ asked if the club had any shack-antenna (Force 12) replacement plans. No answer was provided.
- **O&M Outlet:** WG1GEM noted that the cost of the outlet came out to be much lower than expected, leaving the project with a slight surplus.
- **SCR:** KI5BVJ discussed the results of the February SCR.
- **The Battallion:** W5QZ and KI5BVJ expressed their gratitude for the school newspaper's articles about the 100 year anniversary of the first football broadcast and W5AC's recent history.

Motions and Votes

- **Treasurer's Report:** KG5INI motioned to accept the treasurer's report, and WX4STG seconded the motion. WG1GEM certified that the motion passed. KE0MXN certified that the meeting had quorum.
- **April Meeting Minutes:** N5TLT motioned to accept the April meeting minutes, and WX4STG seconded the motion. WG1GEM certified that the motion passed. KE0MXN certified that the meeting had quorum.
- **Business Closeout:** KE0MXN asked the club to close out all outstanding business. WX4STG seconded the motion. WG1GEM certified that the motion passed. KE0MXN certified that the meeting had quorum.

Good of the Order:

- **Contest University:** Contest University will be 20 May 2021.

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- **DoD MARS AFDCT:** This year's AFDCT will be from 07-08 May 2021. W5QZ noted that this is a fun event where one can work all the branches of the military service and receive QSL cards from them.

Adjourn: At 2028L, KI5MBV motioned to adjourn the meeting, and W5QZ seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 2028L for the academic year.

Respectfully submitted,
Jace Nelson / KE0MXN
W5AC Secretary

Addendum: According to the current schedule, the first W5AC meeting for the 2021-2022 school year will be on Thursday, 9 September 2021 at 19:30L in the W5AC Shack and/or on Zoom.



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KG5HZE Max Lesser

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KG5VGM Matt Conn

KG5RAP Alan Krumm

KG5SDD Jacob Morgan

KI5BVJ Alex Olah

KI5CLW Alex Hueselbusch

KI5CWD Emily Newby

KI5GOK Lucas Robirds

KI5MBV Mason Tyler

N5TLT Kevin Glueck

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W5BCS Bryan Amateur Radio Club

W5QZ David Gent

WG1GEM Connor Farrell

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