



W5AC

Texas A&M University Amateur Radio Club



Thursday, 10 October 2019

Minutes from the October 2019 General Business Meeting

President/WG1GEM called the meeting to order at 1931L, Advisor/N5TLT, Adviser/KE5ISM, Vice President/KG5SDD, and Secretary/KE0MXN were also present. Seventeen voting members were physically present. In all, twenty-eight individuals were present.

Officer Reports

- **President's Report**
 - **Amateur Radio Code:** KE0MXN read the Amateur Radio Operator's Code.
 - **Introductions:** The members introduced themselves, and WG1GEM welcomed them to the shack.
- **Vice President's Report**
 - **Shirts:** KG5SDD noted that KI5BVJ put together some t-shirt and business card designs for Belton.
- **Treasurer's Report**
 - *See "Motions and Votes".*
- **Secretary's Report**
 - *See "Motions and Votes".*

Director Reports

- **QSL Manager's Report**
 - **Cards:** Cards are coming in from various contests.
- **Historian's Report**
 - **Trip:** W5QZ talked about his trip to OX, TF, and VE.
 - **Dayton:** W5QZ noted that he will discuss Dayton Hamfest at a later date.
 - **Report:** W5AC originally was 5AC (no W assignment until after WWI), and is the oldest college club in the country still operating with its original license. Other clubs of similar age have vanities. Back then, only 36 stations existed in district 5, and one club: W5AC! There wasn't a 0 district, either, so district 5 included Alabama and Tennessee at the time.
 - **College Callsigns:** MIT claims to be the oldest, but they weren't licensed. However, he did note that he saw a bunch of college clubs at Dayton who claimed to be the oldest, but they only discussed radio in 1909, not operate. He also noted that (W5QZ) is his original callsign, never assigned to anyone else. WA5MWD is also an original callsign.
 - **WA5MWD:** W5QZ noted that WA5MWD was in W5AC one year before W5QZ, back when W5AC was in the Bowling Alley and then moved into the MSC Hotel Closet.
- **Director of Operations' Report**

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- **Maritime Mobile:** KI5BVJ noted that the twins are going Maritime Mobile sometime, and want to work W5AC when they do. KZ3G noted that they go on a cruise ship with their rigs.
- **Spring Belton:** KI5BVJ noted that if W5AC wants to go to Spring Belton on March 14, 2019, we should work on getting a table and t-shirts now.
- **Director of Repeater Operations' Report**
 - Not Present.
- **Website Manager's Report**
 - Not Present

September Recap / October Preview

- **Rotor:** KZ3G and KI6KYX noted that the tower is down to replace the rotor. The rotor had a tooth break off that prevented the rotor from working.
- **Repeater:** WG1GEM noted that the LMR400 or RG213 on the O&M building needs replaced to hopefully prevent the intermod problem. The LMR/RG will be replaced in the near future. The shrieking on UHF repeater has also been corrected.
- **WW0WWV:** W5AC worked WW0WWV to celebrate the 100th anniversary of WWV.

Motions and Votes:

- **Treasurer's Report:** WG1GEM read the treasurer's report, which KG5HZE motioned to accept and KZ3G seconded. The motion passed without opposition. KEOMXN certified that the meeting had quorum.
- **September Meeting Minutes:** KEOMXN noted that the minutes were sent out over the listserv. KG5HZE motioned to accept the minutes and KI5BVJ seconded the motion. The motion passed with sixteen in favor and only KI5GIH opposed. KEOMXN certified that the meeting had quorum.
- **Amendment 2019-2020-1:** KEOMXN noted that the club had to vote on the amendment still. KG5HZE motioned to accept the amendment and KI5GIH seconded the motion. The motion passed with sixteen in favor and only KEOMXN opposed. KEOMXN certified that the meeting had quorum.

Good of the Order:

- **W5BCS Meeting:** W5BCS will have their monthly meeting at 0930L on Saturday, 19 October 2019. It will be at the Red Cross on Boonville. They will have Radios In The Park afterwards at Tanglewood Park.
- **School Club Roundup:** W5AC will participate in SCR next week. All are encouraged to participate. KEOMXN noted that the club will have a preparatory session. He also noted that the club would try to operate in front of Zachry. W5QZ asked what type of antenna would be used, and volunteered a vertical in place of the extension cord antenna that KEOMXN suggested. W5QZ noted that we are hound chasing and that KG5HZE could help with logging.
- **CQ Bonfire:** W5MHN and KEOMXN noted that the club should decide whether to run CQ Bonfire this year, but no one volunteered to run the event.

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- **Nets:** WG1GEM and KE0MXN noted that the W5BCS nets are on Tuesdays at 20:00, W5AC nets on Mondays at 20:00, and Reveille nets at 07:30 on every day with a 'T'.
- **Shack Get Together:** On 12 October 2019, the club will have a shack get together at 10:00 am to work on the rotor. The tower is already brought down by W5MHN and KE0MXN.
- **Pirates:** KZ3G noted that a licensee is 17k\$ lighter because he interfered with his local repeater repeatedly for a long period of time and the FCC has stopped him.
- **Train:** The Union Pacific Train Steam Engine will pass through College Station on November 8th.

Adjourn: At 2011L, Gaurav and KZ3G motioned to adjourn the meeting until 14 November 2019 at 19:30. The motion passed and the meeting adjourned at 2011L.

Presentation: WA5MWD and W5QZ presented on W5AC's earliest repeaters and other W5AC memories.

Respectfully submitted,
Jace Nelson / KE0MXN
W5AC Secretary



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Callsign Index:

KE0MXN Jace Nelson

KE5ISM Eric Laird

KG5YRW Max Witek

KG5INI Nick Petta

KG5HZE Max Lesser

KG5SDD Jacob Morgan

KI5BVJ Alex Olah

KI5CWD Emily Newby

KI5DRO Robert Filloramo

KI5GIH Michael Nelson

KI6KYX Robert Preston

KZ3G Bill Preston

N5TLT Kevin Glueck

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W5BCS Bryan Amateur Radio Club

W5MHN Marty Nau

W5QZ David Gent

WA5MWD David Cheek

WG1GEM Connor Farrell

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Executive Emergency Constitutional Revision 2019-2020-E1:

- Section 5.1 Federal Communications Commission Violations.
 - REPLACE “A member may have his/her membership revoked without being given a chance to voice his/her perspective on the violation.”
 - WITH “The Executive Committee shall give notice to the member of its decision prior to a vote on the question at least three days in advance of the vote. A member may share his/her opinion on the question of his/her membership with the Executive Committee prior to the vote.”