

URAC General Meeting November 18, 2022

Meeting called to order 7:03 pm

Attendance:

Pres	Steve Mandich	K6NT
Vice Pres	Tom Marinello	K6IGY
Treasurer	Gary Forister	N6HMR
Secretary	Treva Forister	N6HMS
Director	Martin Hochman	N6UB
Director	Scotty Butler	K6ZNL
Past Pres	Doug Dowds	W6HB
	Gina Mandich	KF6MYQ
	Mary Hochman	KN6MVP
	Ivan Mikulich	KB6ATT
	Ingo Werk	KK6EWB
Not Present:		
Director	Bill Carter	W6AJ
Director	Tom Ciezki	KN6IPZ



Treasurers report:

SEP synopsis

Bank Balance \$4,055.45

21OCT

No Changes

18NOV

Income \$15.00

Dues \$15.00

Expenses \$1.01

PayPal \$1.01

Bank Balance \$4,069.44

- - Breakdown - -

Earmarked for Field Day \$0.00

General Fund \$4,069.44

30 Members

October Minutes - Motion to approve Gary, 2nd Tom; Approved

Treasurer's report: - Motion to approve Treva, 2nd Ivan; Approved.

2023 Slate for the Board - Motion to accept the slate Tom, 2nd Treva; Approved.

The 2023 Board listed below was accepted by acclamation

Pres	Steve Mandich	K6NT
Vice Pres	Tom Marinello	K6IGY
Treasurer	Gary Forister	N6HMR
Secretary	John Rockwood	WA6SDK
Director	Scotty Butler	K6ZNL
Director	George Nestojko	NA6Q
Director	Gina Mandich	KF6MYQ
Director	John Linder	KC6JHV

December Meetings - No December General meeting. Board meeting December 2nd.

Holiday Party - Saturday, 6pm, December 17th, Think Cafe

We'll be ordering off the menu. There won't be a Thieves Exchange.

White Elephant Sale - Postponed until next year.

K6AA -

- George checked out the station. Contact logging began Wed Nov. 16th. Scotty will be covering K6AA until the end of this year while operators are checked out.
- Steve said Diana AI6DF, PVARC president, will put a blurb into their newsletter that K6AA is up and running. If their members would like to operate K6AA they will need to join URAC & see Scotty about the LAMM approval process. Scotty will likewise let the Queen Mary operators know they would similarly be welcome to operate K6AA.
- The K6AA mailing address will be changed to the LAMM.
- The antenna switch is gone; switching is automatic within the radio.
- Replacing the 3 PCs with a \$59 laptop was discussed. Tom will look into the best deal.
- Wi-Fi at LAMM will be looked into. Until then, Scotty uses her hotspot.
- The PC passwords are needed in order to turn on the PCs.

Presentation - there was no presentation.

Meeting Closed 8:07. Motion by Scotty, 2nd Tom; approved.

January minutes - *Items carried over.*

- **LAMM access** - Steve will designate who will be responsible for, and will carry, the keys in the future.

February minutes - *Items carried over.*

- **Website** - Doug will let Tom K6IGY know which *Members Only Documents* are obsolete.

May Minutes - *Items carried over.*

- **K6AA** still needs operators to commit for Wed, Fri, & Sat. At present we have 12 interested: John Linder (Sundays - interested in Packet cluster), Scotty, Tom Ciezki, George Nestojko, Larry Fadden, Martin & Mary, Gary & Treva (Thurs - twice/mo), Ken Ota, and Steve.
- **Logging** - Contacts have been paper-logged in the past (not all operators were computer literate). George will look into using the ACL logging program if a smart phone is used as a hotspot. Additional training would be necessary if we don't use paper logs. Backing up online logs might not be possible if Wi-Fi access is not always accessible.
- **Wi-Fi** exists at the museum. Scotty will find out if operators will have access to use the museum's Wi-Fi. Doug doubted it, since individuals would have to sign in & out for the city to monitor any improper website usage. Doug suggested the Iowa Wi-Fi might be available for K6AA in the future.

July Minutes - *Items carried over:*

- **Tower** - Frozen arm needs to be fixed.
- **Trailer** - Steve will find someone who has a truck with a hitch (and a 2" ball) and tail light plug socket for transporting it to the CHP. Steve or Doug will ask Larry about the lights for the trailer. It's used twice a year; Field Day & International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. It needs to be VIN stamped by CHP before registering with DMV for new tags. Doug will find out from his CHP contact if an appointment is needed to get a VIN for a 10 year tag.
- **Field Day** - Kristin Heather suggested writing LA Parks & Recreation about rewording the No Parking sign near the Marine Exchange to better clarify its application to the round pad, not the paved roadway, so Field Day stations can be set up at sites used in previous years by Sam & Ivan.

Oct Minutes - *Items carried over:*

- **Budget** - An annual budget is on hold until K6AA is up and running.

Nov Minutes - *Items carried over:*

- **K6AA** - Scotty will work with Marifrances on a procedural document.