

## Minutes of the ARC NEM meeting August 9, 2022

In attendance were:

Ted WA3AER, Jim N3GOO, Uwe DF2IR, Tom K3YH, Nick K3NY, Les KC3OFR,  
Fred KA3CXQ, Rich N3MOB, Melvin KC3TAT, Chuck K4DAG, Steve WA3ZWC, Charlie K2ZVV,  
Fred AI3Z, Mike K4DUM, Jim AB3CA, Joseph N0MU, Dean VE4DMW, David W3DWC,  
George AA3GG

Meeting started at 1800EDT.

Meeting minutes – Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report – Bank balance is \$5788.77. Oddly, no one is buying tickets for the 50/50 any more...

Museum notes – any club member can operate at the museum anytime a staff member is there. Just email to ask if they will be there.

Training/class report – Technician class starts Thursday September 8 for seven weeks, 6:30 to 9:30 via Zoom. The usual cycle of Technician, General, Extra and Operating Class will continue. The General Class is anticipated to start in October.

School Club Roundup – The School Club Roundup will occur on October 17 through 21. The club is a popular target for operations. Tom K3YH would like to set up operations from the museum. Any member is welcome to operate.

QSL/W2W Report – Approximately 1000 QSLs on W2W, 89 QSL requests, evenly divided between folded, not folded and card only. Received \$31, used \$22 in postage, had to buy new envelopes and the club now owes him about \$15.90. No QSLs outstanding.

Wednesday Net Report – Last two nets were run from Fred AI3Z's house and had low attendance due to poor propagation. SDR sites are saving the day. Nothing outstanding to report.

Museum News – Board still pursuing several options as to where the museum will end up. Plan is to continue the existence of the museum. Initial plan is to find a location to continue a stepped down operation that supports STEM demonstrations in schools with the exhibits in storage. Another option is where the museum would be part of a business park type environment where there could be external exhibits. Both are being worked.

Discussion of what does the club do with the fixed club assets at the museum ensued. It was pointed out that a plan for the antenna removal needs to be made regardless of when the museum moves. While it may be possible to leave the antennas after the March 2023 date the station is out of service once the museum is closed. And where it ends up is still unknown.

As the next museum board meeting is on the 18<sup>th</sup> it was tentatively decided to have a meeting on the 23<sup>rd</sup> to decide our plans. Dean, Mike and David are going to draft a letter listing our concerns to the board. Tom K3YH is going to contact NGC facilities to see what their short-term plans are with the building and what the odds are of the outdoor exhibits staying after the March date.

Meeting adjourned at 1915 EDT