Amateur Radio Club of the National Electronics Museum 21 Feb 2023 Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order by Tom, K3YH at 6:15pm.

In attendance:			
Al, KB3YXA	Fred, AI3Z	Kevin, KC3KZ	Steve, WA3ZWC
Beth, W3TRA	Fred, KA3CXQ	Les, KC3OFR	Tim, W1TRT
Bob, KD3D	George, AA3GG	Melvin, KC3TAT	Tom, K3YH
David, WB3IGW	Jim, AB3CA	Nick, K3NY	Uwe, DF2IR
Dean, VE4DMW	Joe, N0MU	Sam, W3SCB	

- 1. Old Business
 - 1. Treasurer's Report
 - 1. Fred, AI3Z, reported that the balance in the bank was \$5,621.33.
 - 2. Operating Report:
 - 1. School Club Roundup: Kevin, KC3KZ, reported that K3NEM had 42 QSOs, 28 schools and 6,888 points total, that he expects to increase as the logs are reconciled.
 - 2. Wednesday HF net: Run by Fred, AI3Z, from home.
 - 3. QSL cards
 - 1. Nick, K3NY, would like to retire from this position, and is seeking someone to replace him. Will train.
 - 2. Nick reports that the financial balance is unchanged, with the club owing him about \$15, with no urgency in reimbursing him.
 - 3. Need to change QSL card address on ww.k3nem.org website. Kevin will do.
 - 4. Training
 - 1. Tom reports that the Amateur Extra class is about half completed. Out of the 600 people originally signed up, about 200 attend the live class, and many others view the recordings of the live class afterwards.
 - 2. The Operating class will start in April.
 - 3. The Technician class will start after Labor Day.
 - 5. Station Relocation
 - 1. K3NEM must be packed up and moved out by the end of March.
 - 2. Lease negotiations still in progress, not finalized yet. Hence, no official announcement of new location.
 - 3. Consequently, site survey for new station location is delayed. No specifics, such as roof access, square footage for station, furniture arrangements, etc. determined.
 - 4. Proposal for the club's continued involvement delivered to Museum's board, but no decision yet.
 - 5. Target for installation of new station (even if just temporary setup) is May 2023, in time to run the D-Day special event.
 - 6. "Roof party" needed at the current location, to try to recover roof-mounted antennas, and possibly coax in ceiling.
 - 7. Discussion of possible disposal of the Henry amp ensued. Some topics included keeping as a possible display, donation to other club or school club, donation to main current maintainer, and other topics. No decision was reached. No objection to disposal was heard.

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- 2. New Business
 - 1. Museum volunteers needed, to help disassemble and pack up Museum. Contact Nick or Tom. There's an on-line schedule to register and sign up for specific days and times. The on-line schedule's address is:

https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1f0g2B5mQAS__jxFwlVmr_ 7tDiEbotpYxsMvE0NurSSo/edit?usp=sharing Volunteers needed Tuesday through Saturday.

- 2. Hamfest table
 - 1. Will have a table at the Maryland Mobileer's Hamfest, on Sunday, 23 Apr. This can be used to sell equipment from the station, as well as publicize the Museum. Open to sales of stuff from regular members? Percentage or commission to club or Museum?
 - 2. Tim W1RT will explore obtaining a table at other hamfests.
- 3. D-Day
 - 1. Hope to operate from new Museum location, even if station installation is temporary.
 - 2. Decisions must be made by 1 April, in order for announcement to be publicized by ARRL, etc. Jim AB3CA will write the announcement.
- 4. Field Day
 - 1. General discussion in favor of planning an in-person event, at the park we have used in the past. Tim W1RT will check on the park's availability.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30pm

Minutes respectfully submitted by Kevin, KC3KZ

Attachments:

Tom's slide deck from meeting