

**Grand Rapids Amateur Radio
Association**

Board Meeting Minutes

May 30, 2018

The meeting of the Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association Board meeting was called to order at 7:05pm by. President Tom Hansen N8DGD.

President's Report

Tom stated that at the Dayton Hamvention, Sam Nabkey and Dan Thompson said they had tuned the cavities: we can move our repeater in anytime now.

VP Report

John Streyle W8QZ. NR

Treasurer's Report

Hank made a partial report: his computer was having trouble. We started with a beginning balance of \$3888.38.

The ending balance was \$4654.63.

On - The - Air: Greg presented the station line up and mode operations for Field Day. We're also looking at spending \$50.00 for food. We have one more club meeting before the Field Day event. We then had a general discussion on what logging software we should use on FD. Thom said he thought we had purchased a logging program last year. We're going to check back and see if we have a record of that. A question was raised about having political people show up: The ARRL gives bonus points if they show up during FD.

Off -The - Air. Dustin

Technical Report: Stephan said the cavities have been tuned, now we just need to get a crew together to move the repeater into its new location.

Member-At-Large: Bob said we have a date when the tables will be fixed He said the ARRL would not allow a third QSL card checked: they only want 2 in any state.

Red - Cross: Jim shared the final data on how the smoke detector installation program had worked. He hadn't heard if they were planning another this summer.

V-E: Steven said the software program had been updated. He also has been asked to conduct a VE session for 25 individuals. They're still figuring out what date will work for both of them.

Additional club reports: Thom also said he had installed the new rig they had got at Dayton.

Stephan said he had donated a case and water proof carry bag for the Comet SWR instrument. We then had a discussion on how we would loan it out to members: we decided to loan it out for one week, such as Wednesday to Wednesday. A board member

would have ok the loan. We also would check it when it was returned to see if it still is operational.

Web - Master: Thom said Rich Douglas had informed him that W8DC.Com was available: Thom purchased it for the club. Hank mentioned that he had purchased W8DC.NET because he wanted it grabbed up before some other person got it. He offered to give it to W8DC.ORG or Thom.

Old Business:

Thom KI8W stated that the YAESU FT 920 had a new part installed, but there were still issues. It will work great as a radio, without computer interface.

New Business: No new business

Hank made a motion to adjourn

It was seconded by Dustin. The meeting ended at 8:25PM

Respectively submitted
Rich K8JX Grara secretary.