

Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association
Executive Meeting Minutes
November 04, 2020

The Executive Meeting of the Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association was called to order at 7:00pm by Vice President Jim Hessler (K8JH).

President's Report:

No Report (Vacant)

Vice President's Report:

Jim Hessler (K8JH)

The elections are at the next GRARA Business Meeting and Jim wanted to thank Ron Fredricks (K8DMR) for his work with the Nomination Committee.

We are still waiting on getting the antenna mounted at the 5 Mile site.

We are still working on the 3.5GHz change over now that amateur radio will "sunset" on that band. We are working on figuring out what hardware and frequency we will use. We have some time before we need to officially move.

Since the year is closing out, we need to figure out if we have any paperwork to file with the state and with anyone else.

We will be working again on the 43ft vertical antenna this Friday at 5pm before the meeting.

Our Business Meeting will be held again at the Red Cross on Friday since the weather is looking good. We need to find a better location in the future as the weather is getting colder. Most places are unavailable due to Covid-19.

Treasure Report:

Steven Haeisen (KD8MEY)

We received a donation through Network for Good and we need to look into its legitimacy.

Secretary Report:

Greg Stoike (KN4CK)

No Report

On-Air-Director Report:

Tom Hansen (N8DGD)

No Report (Absent)

Off-Air-Director Report:

Ron Fredricks (K8DMR)

No Report

Technical Director Report:

Stephen Provost (AC8QE)

We are looking into getting a RigPi or like system setup for the Radio Room. Stephen will give a presentation on Friday regarding the project.

Director-at-Large:

No Report

Chris Longcore (KE8LQH)

Liaison Director Report:

No Report (Absent)

Joe Bell (WD8USA)

VE Team Report:

No Report

Stephen Provost (AC8QE)

Trustee Report

No Report (Absent)

Tom Hansen (N8DGD)

Nomination Committee:

Nominations can still be made. The current nominations are the following:

Ron Fredricks (K8DMR)

- President: Jim Hessler (K8JH), Steven Haueisen (KD8MEY)
- Vice President: Greg Stoike (KN4CK)
- Secretary: Rich Ranta (K8JX)
- Treasure: Dave De Vos (KF8QL)
- Director-at-Large: Chris Longcore (KE8LQH)
- Liaison Director: Joe Bell (WD8USA)
- Off-Air-Director: Ron Fredricks (K8DMR)
- On-Air-Director: Tom Hansen (N8DGD)
- Technical Director: Stephen Provost (AC8QE)

Old Business:

None that wasn't addressed in the Vice President's report.

New Business:

None

We adjourned at 7:40pm.

Submitted by Greg Stoike (KN4CK), Secretary.