

# Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association

General Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2021

The meeting was held at the Grand Valley State University Kennedy Hall of Engineering room 124. This is in down town Grand Rapids.

Ron K8DMR made an opening statement about tonight's meeting: "We're going to have a special presentation by Tim Duffy, K3LR, the CEO of DX Engineering. Ron also state we are going to continue to accept nominations for GRARA board offices. We will hold elections in December.

**President** Jim K8JH started the meeting at 7:00PM.

**V.P.** No report

**TREASURER:** Treasurer Report for October 2021

Our starting balance was \$11,903

Income totaled \$200 from K8EIO estate sales

Expenditures totaled \$120 for tower rental

The general fund ending total balance is \$8365.00

The K8EIO directed fund balance is \$3618.00

Adding these two together, our total balance is \$11,983.00

I need guidance on a donation amount for the home school, and a date to reserve for the 2022 swap. And - are we zooming this Wednesday??

After general discussion, a motion was made for Dave to donate \$100.00 to the school and reserve the Home School Bld for September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Also to pay for the Tower Rental. Motion made by Steve P., seconded by Steve KD8MEY.

The motion passed

Respectfully submitted,

Dave DeVos - KF8QL

**Secretary:** No report

**VE/TECH:** Steve reported 9 people took the exam: 8 passed. Next month, we will be holding the VE Exam session in the building we're in now. He plans to get the word out and asked Greg, our web master to put an announcement on the web site.

Steve and Tom H. are going to assemble a vertical and test it out. It may be installed on the GVSU building we're in now. We then had a general discussion on where and what kind of antenna to place on the building. We're know more once Steve has tested the antenna out.

**On-The-Air:** Not present.

**Off-The-Air:** Ron presented the status of Grara's Board Nominations. These are the people who have so far agreed to be nominated/serve another year.

For President: Greg KN4CK

Vice President: Steve KD8MEY

Treasurer: Dave KF8QL

Secretary: Richie K8JX

Off-the-Air: Ron K8DMR ( but would like someone younger to serve)

On-the-Air: Tom N8DGD ( but would like someone younger to serve)

Technical Director - Steve Provost - AC8QE

Station Trustee - Tom Hansen N8DGD

\* Red Cross Liaison – Joe Bell WD8USA

\* Member at Large – Chris Longscore KE8LQH

Webmaster – Greg Stroke KN4CK

\*Have not heard if they agree to serve for another year..

**Old Business:** No Old Business

**New Business:** No New Business

Tom B. made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Steve KD8MEY seconded it.

We adjourned the meeting at 7:28Pm

Respectively Submitted

Richie K8JX Grara Secretary

We then took a few minutes break till Tim Duffy got on line.