

GRARA meeting minutes from Oct 1, 2021. Meeting held at GVSU Kennedy Engineering Bldg.

Meeting was called to order by Jim, K8JH, president. It was determined that we probably did not have a quorum, but no business items were on the agenda anyway.

We proceeded to reports. We did not have the secretary present, and there was no business meeting in Sept due to the Swap & Shop. We began with the emailed treasurer report from Dave, KF8QL. There were a couple of questions about the numbers, so we will have to get information from Dave to clarify the figures. Our new balance has grown to \$11,900! We estimated our paid Swap attendance at around 240. Job well done by all.

We moved to the emailed Tech Director/VE report and talked about the special DeVos testing session. The October 8 testing will be back at the Kateri Lodge location in Rockford. The Kateri site is not available in December. GVSU has offered a classroom for testing if we so desire.

Ron, K8DMR reminded us about the upcoming elections in November. We will conduct any business and have elections in the first half hour of the November 5 meeting (held at GVSU), followed by a live video presentation from the CEO of DX Engineering, K3LR.

At that time we paused for introductions. In attendance also was Nick, the W8GVU trustee.

To close out the evening, Justin presented a report and pictures of the special DeVos VE testing experience in September at the GrrCon convention. He and Nick also reported on Dave DeVos assisting with the installation of 4 feedlines for the W8GVU roof station antennas. The coax was donated by GRARA.

Following this, Greg, KN4CK, and Nick, gave a impressive slide presentation on their adventure in putting Stannard Rock Lighthouse (in Lake Superior) W8L, on the air last month. Thanks to both guys for documenting and sharing this experience.

We adjourned to get a tour of the W8GVU "shack." Thanks to GVSU for their hospitality and cooperation.

Next meeting to be held November 5 at 7PM, again at GVSU downtown in the Kennedy Eng. Bldg.

Meeting notes recorded by Jim Hessler, K8JH.