

Grand Rapids Amateur Radio Association

Executive Meeting - May 27, 2022

Meeting called to order at 6:06 PM.

President's Report - Greg N8HR

Greg and Jared N8CZ had a Field Day meeting May 26. Greg has contacted a few shirt places, and has a promising lead. Design is still pending.

Club will need money for Field Day food and a new banner. The banner would also be used for hamfest & convention setups. Overall consensus is to set up a GRARA table at the IRA hamfest.

Vice President's Report - Steven KD8MEY

Steven is recommending we go with a non-white background for the banner - contrast is better with a white logo on black background.

Steven has been starting to reach out to members and welcome them, and thank them for being part of the club. Greg will look into QSL cards/business cards.

Secretary's Report - Dave KD8DB

Summary of last meeting's minutes and old business.

Treasurer's Report

No treasurer present. Steven is suggesting the possibility of an alternate treasurer who can carry out banking duties.

Liaison Director's Report

Liaison not present - Joseph Bell sent an email summarizing the current situation with the club radio room. We will likely have access in July, and ADA issues and bathroom access are being addressed. We can replace the roof antenna any time, with rubber bumpers.

Technical Director's Report - Stephen AC8QE

May VE session had one examinee.

Off-Air Director's Report - Madison W8MMW

Madison is going to try to arrange a knot-tying presentation in July.

Director At Large's Report - Lisa W8LSA

Lisa has been advertising on social media and Twitter for a 100-point Field Day bonus.

Club patches would be about \$2 per person. Lisa has been getting some design mockups and estimates.

Still working on history - looking to provide a writeup for the GRARA web site sometime this summer.

On-Air Director's Report

On-Air Director not present. Greg has discussed a lot of Field Day plans with Jared, though there are some details to work out. Tentative schedule will be breakfast first thing in the morning, followed by Field Day setup, and a pot-luck dinner in the evening. GRARA will provide meat and essentials. Others can bring a dish to pass. At midnight, a bring-your-own-meat campfire cookout, and possibly a potato bar. Brunch the following morning, followed by Field Day wrapping up. We may need some volunteers to do the cooking.

Jared is going to provide his FT-991A for the phone station. Greg will bring an RV and generator. Dave DeVos KF8QL will be doing a VHF/UHF station using the Ham Van. We probably still need one more generator.

Old/New Business

Field Day bonus points - still need to review the list for all potential scoring opportunities.

Greg or Madison or someone will work on creating a Field Day activity for another 100 points.

No status updates on the remote stations - Stephen is in Gaylord assisting the Red Cross.

Tentative date for reinstalling the roof antenna: 2nd Saturday in June

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 PM. Minutes prepared by Secretary Dave Britten KD8DB.