

KPARC Meeting Minutes of Monday, March 14, 2016

The KPARC March Meeting was called to order at 2:07 PM on Monday, March 14, in the Ripple Room in the Kings Point Club House.

Treasurer Doug Gatchell reported that KPARC has approximately \$3,192 in the checking account.

The KPARC Board Meeting Minutes of February 8, 2016, were read by President Wayne Conklin in the absence of Secretary Linda Conklin. Bill Love moved to accept the minutes as read, and Jim Key seconded. All voted in favor. The most significant item was the proposed change to the KPARC Constitution that is mandated by the Kings Point Federation. Article II (Officers) Section I (listing the officers) needs to have added: "The President shall be a resident of Kings Point." This will rescind part of the change made to the Constitution last November (the requirement that the President be a "full-time resident of Kings Point" will not be included). President Wayne Conklin explained that this change was announced at the previous meeting, and will be voted on at this meeting. One important factor is if our club President is not, in fact, a Kings Point resident, then our club will no longer be recognized as a Kings Point sanctioned club and no longer able to use Kings Point facilities for free. Bill Love moved that the change to the Constitution be accepted as read, and Gary Dindas seconded. All 17 club members present voted in favor of the change to Article II (Officers) Section I of our Constitution that the following phrase will be added: "The President shall be a resident of Kings Point."

Activities Chair Dotty Love announced that the combined KPARC/SCCARC spring picnic will be held Saturday, April 23 at noon at the SCC horseshoe pits gazebo. The cost is \$8 per person, and tickets can be obtained from Dotty or from the Friolet's in the SCCARC. Dotty also reported that a room reservation for the Christmas Party in the Kings Point Clubhouse cannot be made until 3 months before the event, or if the Banquet Room is wanted, the club must submit a request for the lottery of that venue, to be held at an unknown date in May. One big difference this year is the event will be a pot-luck by the attendees, with KPARC buying the meat for the event. SCCARC has taken a poll, and most of their members also support having a pot-luck rather than a catered meal.

Bill Adkins announced that there are 4 people signed up for the March 21 SCCARC Technician License class. An added incentive is that SCCARC will be raffling off an HT and Technician License Manual at their Funfest this weekend.

Doug Gatchell reported that Staples is offering business cards for \$9, which are great for your amateur radio contact information.

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Field Day 2016: Linda Conklin has been chairperson for the Field Day activities in the KPARC ham shack for two years, but is not available to do the planning this year. The club members were asked if anyone was interested in continuing to plan a formal Field Day event for the club. Linda Conklin said it doesn't have to be an elaborate event – just a signup sheet for shifts on the radios, and sending out for sandwiches or pizza, and providing coffee and doughnuts during the event. Hud Richard will work with Linda to see if a committee can be put together.

Today's program, "Mobile Installations in the 21st Century," was cancelled because our speaker, Geoff Haines, didn't show.

17 members attended the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 2:40 PM. The next KPARC meeting is scheduled for Monday April 11, 2016, at 2:00 PM in the KPCH Ripple Room. The program will be presented by Uli and Monica of Wireless Holdings Ltd. in Miami, on "Digital Modes."

Linda Conklin
KPARC Secretary