

CMARC Board Meeting: Saturday, August 3, 2024

Board Members: Kelly Fitzgerald K8FK (Director), Russ Fitzgerald N8FZ (Director), Tom Rocheleau WA8WPI (President), Clyde Thompkins K8CPT (Under 21), Kenny Hazlett K8NNY (Secretary), Dale Cole K8TS (Vice President), Gordy Smith KE8JKS (Treasurer)

Present: In-person: Russ Fitzgerald N8FZ, Tom Rocheleau WA8WPI, Clyde Thompkins K8CPT; Via Zoom: Dan Beuchert WX8MOJ, Dawn Beuchert KD8MWA, Kelly Fitzgerald K8FK, Gordy Smith KE8JKS

Meeting called to order: 6:12 pm.

Family Night:

Kelly said only 4 have signed up, need sheet online and brought to meeting; need number for food and cake; Kelly will pick up cake; Kelly can be emailed if coming, how many are coming, and what they are bringing. Dan Dembinski KD8YDE is providing chicken. Ziegenbein award: Kelly will bring mock ups to general membership meeting for approval. The Ziegenbein Committee of Dale Cole K8TS, Michael Wetzel W8QF, and Dan Dembinski KD8YDE will decide on Ziegenbein award. Kelly needs committee member signatures for plaque.

Board meeting time and Place:

Discussion about week night or Saturday night meetings, hard for some who work weekdays; Saturdays work better. Consensus that meetings be left as they are. Gordy brought up doing additional meeting per month. Russ brought up doing additional meetings only if necessary. Dan Beuchert stated coming up with another day is difficult with work and outside activities for family members. Thoughts were expressed on assigning a time for someone to speak to help alleviate stress of attending entire meeting. Other thoughts stated, regarding board and membership meetings to try and keep meetings shorter and more efficient. Dan Beuchert also suggested tabling items if meetings runs too long. Dan Beuchert also suggested forming subcommittees to keep momentum going on projects, so as not taking up meeting time. Will Chad be Field Day chair next year? Dan Beuchert said possibly and he may consider co-chairing, but will speak to Chad for next meeting. Tom Rocheleau stated Dan Dembinski is interested in doing food again for next year's Field Day. It was agreed to keep board meeting day and place as is.

After action Field Day report:

Dan Beuchert mentioned that few volunteers came forward until close to event. Gordy stated that important to get more help; always the same people and there were not enough people.

Gordy mentioned still fighting credit card issue with Ultimate Services National company for porta potty.

Dan Beuchert still looking at Raner Park for next year; could change due to construction. Russ Fitzgerald writing letter to city of Mason to thank for use of the park; and a letter requesting use of park for next year that will include a contact person. Dan Beuchert will get a copy of letter to Russ Fitzgerald that has been used in the past. Discussion of other parks if Raner unavailable. Suggested Field Day Location subcommittee be formed; sometimes responses are slow when requests are made. Pros and cons on Field Day will be discussed at a future meeting.

No Physical Address, PO Box:

The cost for PO box, Gordy stated yearly cost is \$182. It was suggested physical address should be president's address. Suggested looking into alternatives to a PO box, mentioned someone needs to go to PO box – not sure who has key, it was mentioned Shannon Ranes WA2NVK may have a key. Dan Beuchert looked at UPS online, not much cheaper than PO Box. Tom Rocheleau asked who has 501 (C)(3) paperwork? Dan Beuchert said he would look for paperwork.

Communication Trailer:

Gordy looking into cost of putting logo sign on trailer; Tom getting dimensions.

Treasurers Report:

No money in this month and charges only for zoom and \$15 for secured website. Next month, form needs to be filed for 501 (C)(3); need form for file changes, approximately \$20. Is there a point person for 501 (C)(3)? Dan Beuchert stressed the importance of having a point person for 501 (C)(3) – in past secretary has dealt with this paperwork. File needs to be available to all board member to access information.

Secretary Position:

Secretary not been a functioning position for a while. Kenny Hazlett in hospital. Suggested asking Kenny if he would like to take a leave from position until feeling better or step down from position. Clyde Tompkins will talk to Kenny about stepping down. Secretary needs to be a member of corporation according to bylaws. Secretary is a voting member of board. Secretary position needs to be brought up to membership for volunteers to fill. Jean Parker was suggested as someone to approach regarding secretary position.

CMARC Merchandise:

Considering selling items with new logo – T shirts, Tumblers, 3-D plaques. Gordy Smith and Clyde Tompkins suggested items to be paid for when ordered. Dan Beuchert recommended advertising on listserv because people were unaware items were for sale at Field Day. Gordy said he could put T shirt on Facebook.

Hamfest vs Hamfair:

Tabled for future meeting

Mission Statement:

Gordy Smith brought up mission statement that more succinctly states what the corporation does. Clyde Tompkins and Dan Beuchert stated that there is a mission statement that was used when 501 (C)(3) was applied for. Clyde Tompkins found and submitted main activity statement on 501 (C)(3) application paperwork.

Adjourned: Russ 1st, Clyde 2nd 8:00 pm