



## Meeting Summary

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### Some statistics, valid at the start of this meeting:

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| <b>Attendance:</b>   | 23 members + 1 new member + 2 guests |
| <b>Membership:</b>   | 56                                   |
| <b>ARRL Members:</b> | 40 Please support the ARRL           |

- Fred lead the **Pledge of Allegiance**.
- **Welcome to the new meeting location**
  - We had a discussed our new meeting location
    - This room costs \$25 for each meeting. It is not available before 6:30PM
    - Yes, we are cramped in this room. We are trying to get a larger room at the same facility
  - We are very open to anyone who can help us find a better location
- **Introductions**
  - Recognize testing
  - Recognize new members / guests
  - Everyone introduces themselves
- **Approval of the Minutes** and Previous Meeting Summary by Rich WB4EHG
  - Meeting summary is on the web site, approved without reading
- **Reports**
  - **Treasurers report by Don KI6KNM**
    - We have \$588.68 of which \$525.32 is allocated for the trailer
    - We have \$761.16 in our PayPal account
  - **Membership manager's report by Fred WB4BAG**
    - 34 members have not renewed for 2020
    - We had 8 renewals and one new member tonight
    - Members who have not paid their dues by the end of this meeting will be dropped from the roster



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- Pete N8PR wants the web site to show the years each member is paid for.
  - Fred WB4BAG and I WB4EHG are considering how to implement that in the easiest manner since we could have changes every month.
- **Net manager's report by Rich WB4EHG**
  - Rich begged for members to take on the NCS responsibilities. Neil WB2RUU and Jeff WB3ISP both volunteered! **Thanks!**
- **QSL manager's report by John W6BXQ**
  - No change since the last meeting
- **Trailer report**
  - Neil WB2RUU, Jeff WB3ISP, Fred WB4BAG and Rich WB4EHG have been working on the trailer almost daily for the last month.
    - Coax & power cables are organized and mounted on spools
    - 120VAC and 12VDC power cabling have been installed and routed inside the walls
    - Shelving has been installed and equipment sorted into plastic boxes and labeled
    - The 2m rig & permanent roof top antenna have been installed, a new mic was donated by WB4EHG
    - The PVC tubes containing the HF beam & rotatable dipole are mounted on the side of the outside of the trailer where they are easy to get to
    - The ladder has been mounted on the outside of the trailer
    - The list goes on, many organizational tasks. You must see it!
- **Discussion on Orlando Hamcation**
  - We had a short discussion about the Orlando Hamcation held in February
    - A showing of hands indicated that many of the members present did attend.
    - It is rumored that attendance over the 3 days was around 28,000
- **Announcements**

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- **Don and Hope update**
  - Don W3AZD is still hospitalized, he needs visitors to cheer him up and take his mind off his situation.
- **Antenna donation**
  - Steve Gordon AF4S donated a TW 2010 portable HF vertical dipole antenna
    - This antenna covers 20m, 17m, 15m, 12m, 10m and costs \$625 for the manual setting version
    - I was pretty doubtful about how this little and on the ground antenna was going to work. It's very surprising how well it works, our first contact was Delaware followed by Canada
    - Link to DX Engineering: <https://www.dxengineering.com/search/brand/dx-engineering/part-type/hf-portable-stealth-antennas>
    - Link to manufacturer: <http://mojero.wixsite.com/twantenna/products>
    - Link to manual  
[http://www.radiomanual.info/schemi/ACC\\_antenna/TransWorld\\_TW2010\\_us\\_er.pdf](http://www.radiomanual.info/schemi/ACC_antenna/TransWorld_TW2010_us_er.pdf)
    - **THANK YOU, Steve!**
- **Badges**
  - Fred WB4BAG received the parallel port adaptor needed to operate the printer and is close to turning out badges
- **Upcoming events**
  - Stuart Hamfest is March 21
  - Cy Harris Free Flea is April 25  
<https://browardarc.org/f/cy-harris-free-flee---april-13th-2019>



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### ➤ **New business**

#### ○ **Selling the Yaesu FT-1000**

- We are selling this HF rig so we can buy an Icom IC-7300
- It has been advertised on QRZ

<https://forums.qrz.com/index.php?threads/ft-1000-200w-output-w-filters-txco-and-bpf.692506/>

- We have an offer of \$750 by a local non-member ham
- A vote approved offering this to the existing members for the same price and if no interest then selling to the non-member
- Email to the membership via groups.io was sent March 5 by WB4EHG

#### ○ **Putting a rotator on the trailer mast**

- We discussed installing a rotator donated by Pete N8PR on the tower
- It cannot be mounted permanently since the mast is horizontal when not used and water would get inside the rotator housing
- The decision was to leave it to the guys setting up the antenna whether they want to use it or not

- Steve Adams N4JRW became a silent key. Steve was a great guy and is missed. Our condolences to his family.

### ➤ **Business part of the meeting adjourned.**

### ➤ **Drawing**

- The 50/50 drawing W6BXQ won half of the \$48 pot and donated it to the trailer fund

### ➤ **Presentation:**

- Unveiling of the newest trailer improvements.
- A demo of FT8 as setup in the club's trailer using our newly-donated TW2010 portable vertical dipole antenna.