

THE FORTY-FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING

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GREEN MOUNTAIN REPEATER ASSOCIATION

GMRA ANNUAL MEETING MINUTES

The GMRA Annual Meeting was held at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Powder Mill Road, College Park, Maryland on Saturday December 5, 2015.

President Paul Freirich W3HFA called the Forty-Fourth Annual Meeting of the Association to order at 1249 Hrs.

Paul introduced the Board of Directors and their areas of service: Roy Ashlin N3NGA, Bruce Crabill N3ZUY, Spence Spencer NX3SS and C.T. David K3GXF, C.T. Is not present because of a medical procured yesterday. Paul called attention to the attending dignitaries.

Secretary's Report: A Motion to defer reading of the 2014 Annual Meeting Minutes in favor of they're being posted on the GMRA web site was seconded and passed unanimously. We have John Hite outside in his vehicle listening remotely because of medical reaso

Treasurer's Report: Roy N3NGA delivered the Treasurer's Report. A Motion to accept the Treasurer's report as rendered was seconded and passed unanimously.

Membership Report: Roy delivered a report on his work on the Membership Committee, as of December 5, 2015 membership stands at 209.

In the passed year Roy sent out 541 packages with invitations to 548 Amateur Operators. Out of that we acquired 18 new members. Thanks Roy.

Technical Report: Spence Spencer NX3SS delivered a brief report on future plans for GMRA to migrate away from phone line control of the two repeaters to control of the repeaters over the internet. This change will cause termination of the phone patch access on both repeaters. We anticipate no problems from this change since there has been about one phone patch over the last two years.

There was a very brief Technical Report because there was essentially nothing to report. There have not been any problems at all with our repeaters, controllers and antennae over the past year. As has been past stated, President Paul Freirich again stated that our repeaters are old, outmoded and absolutely 100% reliable with no service outages.

A brief report on ARES was delivered by Steven Heyde KA4TMB

Guest Speaker: Riley Hollingsworth K4ZDH delivered a very interesting and thought-provoking talk, not only on the state of Ham Radio to day but its future importance in its historic role of emergency communications in case of a highly possible interruption of the internet. His talk was very well received.

Election of officers: In the absence of any other candidates a Motion to declare C.T David K3GXF and Bruce Crabill N3ZUY re-elected to the Board by acclamation was made, seconded and passed unanimously.

The door prizes were passed out and then every one who did NOT win one of the official door prizes was given a flashlight.

Meeting adjourned at 2:12 PM.

W3HFA & a audio recording

Respectfully Submitted,
With assistance of "Rough
Notes" from Paul Freirich

C.T. David Jr.
Secretary

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