

**Board Meeting**  
**April 13, 2023**

**Present:** Bill, N3RY, President; Will, KA3UQQ, Vice President; Phil, NO3N, Secretary; Kevin, KC3SGL, Treasurer; Greg, KC3SEG, Director; Dave, W3RDE, Director; Gaylord, KC3SMP, Director

There was a quorum of officers present. Kevin and Gaylord were delayed and joined the meeting at separate times after the Board returned from Executive Session.

**The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.**

Bill reported on the VE testing, 6 Technicians and 1 upgrade to Extra. He reported on the testing at the Naval Academy.

Eric reported on the purchase of the post hole digger. Gaylord purchased the digger and an auger, pending the Board approval for the purchase. We purchased a 2 year warranty. Motion to approve made, and passed.

The Board went into Executive Session. Those watching the Board were put in the waiting room until the Board concluded its business. Said minutes were sent to the Board.

There will be a summit on the status of our repeaters. Dave opted to hold the A/V plan until after the Repeater Conference as he considered the repeaters a higher priority.

Ed Santilli reported on clubhouse security. The hardware for the repeater room door is in. Will noted the need for adequate ventilation for the repeater room. The security cameras will capture any movement for all doors except the kitchen door. The repeater room camera will be moved to the controller hub area.

Keith reported on the training with the recent Technician class and the forthcoming General class. Six took the exam and are expected to request the free membership option.

Eric just received a proposal on the new tower. He also reported on the rocket launcher.

David noted that the link between the repeaters has been stable. But in the past the link went down after an hour or an hour and a half. John Williams is planning on evaluating the issue at the conference.

Sam stated that we will be having 4 stations. Keith was asked to assist with the planning of the antenna layout. Bill suggested demonstrations of satellite communications and POTA.

Keith noted that there would be a HT training session about the same time as the repeater conference. Keith will be helping program the radios for the new members.

Greg will be keeping an eye out on Field Day at night.

There were suggestions on getting publicity in the media for Field Day.

Gaylord reported on the purchase of the post hole digger and some of the technical aspects of the equipment.

Kevin sent out a membership report regarding those paid for the year. He also provided the financial status of the club's PayPal, checking, savings and CD accounts.

Dave proposed the net coordinator should be invited to Board meetings. It was agreed to.

Jerry noted he'll be helping with the rocket launchers on Field Day.

Will proposed a VOIP phone for Hamshack Hotline. A statement from Dick Mayo would be needed to use the club's callsign. The cost would be for equipment only. Referred to the April 20 membership meeting.

**The meeting concluded at 7:50 pm.**