



BEDFORD COUNTY AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

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Meetings take place at 7:30PM on the 1st Thursday of each month at the Bedford County Courthouse, Room # 303 - 200 Juliana St, Bedford, PA.

MEETING MINUTES Thursday, 4 April 2019

A meeting of the Bedford County Amateur Radio Society came to order at **1933** hours in Room #303 of the Bedford County Courthouse Annex by **Vice-President Gary Metivier**. A quorum was declared.

In attendance were: K3SCM, KA3PNL, KA3UDR, K3QNT, KC3CMI, KC3DNB, KC3EXQ, KC3HKZ, KC3IFL, KC3KFW, KC3MMX, KC3NAF, KE3ZT & W3DRW.

Gary, **KC3HKZ** suggested the club send a condolence card to the family of John Hogenmiller -KB3DFZ, who lost his sister, Lisa Ann Pottgeiser, to cancer this past week.

K3QNT moved that the club donate \$25.00 to *Hospice and Community Care of Lancaster, PA* in memory of Lisa. The motion was seconded by KA3PNL.

Treasurer's Report

KC3DNB reported on the financial condition of the club. It was noted that our cash position of \$9,476.35 was the highest in the club's history. The club has no debt or liabilities. Treasurer Steve reported on checks written and dues received.

Petty Cash:	\$ -0-
Checking Account:	\$2,656.69
Savings Account:	\$6,819.66
TOTAL	<u>\$9,476.35</u>

Old Business

KC3DNB announced the club has two choices for a P.O. Box. Bedford PO for \$92.00 per annum or Everett PO for \$64.00 per annum. Steve outlined the quantity of mail the club receives and declared that either of these locations would be more than adequate. **K3QNT** moved to accept the offer of Everett PO. Motion was seconded by **KC3MMX**. All in Favor. **KC3DNB** will make the arrangements in Everett and secure the necessary forwarding cards.

KC3KFW announced the first FLDIGI Training Net will be on Tuesdays at 7:30 PM on 14.085 khz.

New Business:

K3SCM suggested we continue our new member incentive program by providing an inexpensive Baofeng HT to each new member so they can get on the repeaters right away. **KA3UDR** said he would look into extending the purchase of the radios.

K3QNT announced he had examined **16** possible Field Day locations for the event in June. After some discussion the members present agreed that the Snake Spring Park would be best because of its location, access to bathrooms, cover and available power. Lloyd will check out availability for the weekend of June 22-23, 2019.

KE3ZT, Activities Director announced the upcoming Bloody Run Canoe Classic to be held on Saturday, 27 April. This event takes place in Everett. BCARS provides operators along the river to observe canoes for safety. The ARES operators muster at Bedford Burger King at 0900 on the day of the event.

Steve outlined the recent DX activity of the 70th Anniversary of Spanish Radio Union. There is an attractive certificate available. The Special Event is on the air from 160 meters to 6 meters.

K3QNT asked everyone to celebrate the 85th Birthday of **Jay Williams**, **K3SCM**, BCARS pioneer and oldest continuously operational Ham in Bedford County! Jay explained that his longevity was due to good living, marital bliss with Linda and close proximity to large amounts of RF.

It was announced that the Space Station would be operating Slow-Scan TV on the amateur bands.

Prior to the meeting, a Mini-Hamfest occurred in the government complex parking lot. A significant amount of excellent radio junk was available. Several members took advantage of this exceptional opportunity.

With no further business, Vice-President Gary adjourned the meeting at 2023 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Lloyd – K3QNT

Lloyd Bankson Roach

Temporary part-time secretary