

EIDXA Meeting Minutes
21 January 2022 via ZOOM

Attendees

- 1 Gayle KØFLY
- 2 George NG7A
- 3 Dave KØLUM
- 4 Tom WØWP
- 5 Craig KØCF
- 6 Dave Lucas KØDPL
- 7 Mike NA9Q
- 8 George WØPPF
- 9 Juerg NØPP
- 10 John WØGN
- 11 Terry WØAWL
- 12 Scott WRØU
- 13 Jim WØSR
- 14 Adam AEØDX
- 15 Frank WØQC
- 16 Brice KB4SBY
- 17 Ken AD4OS
- 18 Rich W3ACO
- 19 Dave WØVX
- 20 David KØLUM
- 21 Sam KØAFN
- 22 Bob KA4PKB/Ø
- 23 Glen KØJGH
- 24 Bob KØSRL
- 25 Frank WØQC
- 26 Terry KØGT
- 27 Bob WØGXA
- 28 Joe Finkstein WØMJN
- 29 Tim K3LR

Program

Tim Duffy K3LR Zoom Presentation: The DX Engineering Story

Break

5-minute break

Committee Reports

Treasurer's Report - Mike NA9Q

- Mike gave a comprehensive report on the club finances.
- He noted that there are still quite a few 2022 dues outstanding. From a total of 76 members only about half are current. Checks should be made out to EIDXA.
- Mike also noted that according to the bylaws, we are due for an audit and Gayle is to appoint the auditors.
- Gayle appointed Rich W3ACO and Bob WØGXA to the audit committee.

Membership Committee - Jim WØSR

- No new membership applications
- The application for Barry WØIY not acted on
- Adam AEØDX also applied, it has not been acted on. Adam attended the meeting as a guest.

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DXpedition Funding - Terry WØAWL

- Nothing new to report

Cluster Report - Jim WØSR

- Jason had Tom's hard drive. He didn't think he had the correct computer. No progress on getting the cluster going.
- There was some discussion on spot collectors. It was noted that DX labs has a suite of logging and tracking programs. Ken AD4OS noted that when using VQ log, the connection is lost periodically.

Contest Committee - George NG7A

- Reminded everyone that log submissions for all major contests have been shortened and average about a week. Check the rules for each contest to be sure.
- Contests logs are usually submitted in the Cabrillo format.

Silent Key List

- Terry WØAWL motioned to create a Silent Key list with Craig to implement it.
- Rich W3ACO seconded
- Carried by majority vote
- Other discussion on the matter:
 - Craig to go back as far as the club archives will allow.
 - Jim WØSR will try to get old membership lists.

Old Business

Cap Sales - Sam KØAFN

- Reports caps sales are slow
- Is willing to do a custom cap for club members

News / Equipment Report - Jim WØSR

- Since the last meeting, Tom WB8ZRL became a SK. Tom was a mentor to many. He asked his brother donate equipment to the EIDXA to sell and fund DXpeditions.
- Jason NRØX, Tom WØWP and Terry WØAWL have been putting this together. Equipment will be auctioned off by email to the highest bidder. A list will be sent out next week with starting bid prices.
- Antennas will be taken down and auctioned off in the spring. This includes two 4-squares on 40 and 80 Meters.
- Terry is making a list of about 75 pieces that will be emailed to members
- Terry will also host an open house on a Saturday 9am-4pm before the auction closes.

New Business

Discussion on Meetings at the Mercy Venue

- Gayle started the discussion and expressed his thoughts that the club should continue to use the conference room at Mercy when it again becomes available.
- The subject was discussed, and everyone agreed that we should continue using the conference room Mercy.

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Future Programs

- Adrian KC8SCA is booked for the April Presentation
- We are always looking for program suggestions

Glenn KØJGH - station control

- Glenn reports that his son is completely controlling his HF station with a cell phone

Member Introduction and Recruiting Discussion - Ken AD4OS

- Ken AD4OS introduced himself to the group. He became a ham in the early 90s, graduated from Purdue and designed 2-way radios for Motorola, Skyworks and now Collins.
- Ken expressed the need to recruit more people to the hobby. Initially the discussion focused on high schools, but Ken even suggested targeting the 30/40/50-year-old demographics. Various ideas were discussed.

Meeting closed at 9:38 pm

Respectfully submitted,
George NG7A
EIDXA Secretary