Start time: 7:00 pm

Location: First United Methodist Church Plano

Facilitator: Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

President

Board 8 (for quorum)

Members 14

Guest 0

Meeting Agenda

Call to Order/Welcome

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Officers Reports

Old Business

New Business

Break

Raffle

Program Presentation

Adjournment

Pledge – led by Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

Roll Call –

Each person present gave their name and call-sign

Vice-President’s Report – Anthony Burokas – KB5DVS

Not in attendance

Report given by Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

Programs

Tonight – Go Kits for HF & VHF

Bob Nine KD5QDQ

November 21st – TBD

December 19th – Holiday Party

Secretary’s Report – Johnnie Young – KG5CQO

September 2022 General Meeting Minutes

Available in groups.io in the file section under files,

2022s secretary minutes, general meeting minutes, and

then by date

Available on the PARK website

Included in the newsletter

Folder with copy by the sign-in table

Any questions?

PARK now has 110 members

65 members are members of ARRL = 59%

Brian Murphy – WB8QZM received his certificate from PARK

His picture was in the newsletter

Congratulations to Brian

Treasurer’s Report – Michael Tharp – KG5TJF

Balance with expenditures and deposits reviewed and explained the bank account showing the monthly debits/credits and reminded the membership of monies needed to complete previous approved projects and monies needed to run the club annually.

Communications Director’s Report – Kip Moravec – AE5IB

Presby – still waiting to hear so we can do the Antenna

Raspberry Pi went down

Newsletter Editor’s Report – Neil Gould – NE5IL

Everyone should have received the newsletter

Anyone else can send a write up about themselves for the newsletter

Be sure to send articles you enjoyed to be placed in the newsletter

Can list items you have for sale, need a way to contact you included

If you see any issues, please send an email to the newsletter Editor

WebMaster’s Report – John Hatch – KF5BSS

All should sign up for an account on the web page

<https://K5prk.net> and

for groups io at [www.K5prk.groups.io/g/main/topics](http://www.K5prk.groups.io/g/main/topics)

Any issues or questions email John at [webmaster@K5prk.net](mailto:webmaster@K5prk.net)

PARK is also on Facebook

The newsletter is sent through the web page registration

Public Relations Director’s Report – Dan Daniels – W5KKQ

Waiting on addresses from ARRL to do the mailers

Trying to get email address for the new hams

Activities Director’s Report – Richard Seitz – KG5HCJ

Recurring Events

PARK Breakfast Group – Saturdays @ 0700

Poor Richard’s Café – Plano, Texas

Monthly PARK Meetings

Board of Directors Meeting – 1st Monday 7:00 PM

General Meeting – 3rd Monday 7:00 PM

CollinARES Training Nets

Two on-the-air training nets twice per month.

You need not be a member to check-in.

1st Sunday of each month at 2100

PARK Repeater (K5PRK) 147.180 (+) 107.2

3rd Sunday of each month at 2100

MARC Repeater (W5MRC) 146.740 (-) 110.9

Go to [www.collinares.net](http://www.collinares.net) for detailed information

WinLink Wednesdays

Go to [www.collinaries.net](http://www.collinaries.net) for link and details

Weekly Fox Hunts

Every weekend in McKinney, Sachse and Richardson and/or

Plano

Freddy the Fox (McKinney ARC)

Found in McKinney from 9 am Sat thru 7 pm Sun

Tx on 434.500 MHz with a 3-minute cycle.

Scan QR Code once found and fill out form

Facebook Page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Freddy-The-Fox-109578464255677>

SARA (Sachse ARA)

Found in Sachse each weekend

TX on 146.565 MHz

SARA information: [www.sachseradio.org](http://www.sachseradio.org)

Wheatly (Richardson WK)

found in Richardson every weekend

in Plano one weekend every other month

TX on 433.250 MHz with a 3-minute cycle.

Scan QR Code once found and fill out form

Wheatley’s Website:

<https://sites.google.com/view/Wheatley-website/home>

Fox #1 (Richardson WK)

Found in Richardson every weekend

Tx on 144.500 MHz with a 3-minute cycle

More information on the RWK website:

<http://www.k5rwk.org/foxhunt>

Upcoming Events

VNA – Meals On Wheels volunteers

Communications/Traffic Control

Dallas VNA Site at 1414 W. Mockingbird Lane

(2 blocks East of I-34)

24th of November and 25th of December

David Patrick will send out further info

PARK December Meeting

Spring Creek BBQ – McKinney

December 19th 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

1933 N Central Expwy; McKinney, Tx 75071

Contest

ARRL School Club Roundup

October 17th – 21st

CW, Phone, Digital

[www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup](http://www.arrl.org/school-club-roundup)

Zombie Shuffle

October 28th, 1600 – 2359 UTC

CW, on 3.5 – 12 and 21

[www.zianet.com/grp](http://www.zianet.com/grp)

VHF – UHF Ft8 Activity Contest

November 2nd, 1700 – 2100 UTC

FT8, on 144

[www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en](http://www.ft8activity.eu/index.php/en)

ARRL Sweepstakes Contest – CW

November 5th – 7th, 2100 – 0300 UTC

[www.arrl.org/sweepstakes](http://www.arrl.org/sweepstakes)

Special Event Stations

Spruce Goose 75th Anniv. Of Flight

October 29th – November 6th, Torrance, CA

Info: [www.w6ha.org](http://www.w6ha.org)

84th Anniv. Of the War of the World Broadcast

October 30th, Princeton Junction, NJ

Delaware Valley Radio Association

Info: [webmaster@w2zq.com](mailto:webmaster@w2zq.com)

Boo To You

October, 31st, KC5Boo, Celburne, Tx

Club KC5NX, Judy Cox

Info: <https://kc5nx.com>

Hamfests

Texoma Hamarama Family FunFest

October 21st – 22nd, Ardmore, OK

Ardmore Convention Center

Info: [www.hamarama.org](http://www.hamarama.org)

Parker county Hamfest

October 22nd, Springtown, Tx

ARC of Parker Co. and Tri-County Amateur Club

Info: <http://w5pc.org>

Enid Hamfest 2022

November 5th, Enid, OK

Enid, Oklahoma

Info: <http://enidarc.org>

Open Discussion and Vote

Christmas Party Raffle Prizes

Last Year

Purchased Gift Certificates from HRO ($300)

This Year

Proposing to purchase the same gift certificates

from HRO

Proposing to purchase an additional amount of

money for raffle gifts, possibly from MTC,

or gift cards from Home Depot, Lowes,

Northern Tool, Gun Range??

Propose additionally looking into soliciting

donations by local businesses (footwork)

Would need a majority vote from the club at large,

for the extra raffle purchases (+$300?)

Prices of raffle tickets and free ticket for dues

renewal.

Discussion and call for club vote?

Short discussion followed.

Tim Johnson – K5TCJ proposed the additional

Expenditure of $300 for extra prizes for

The Holiday Dinner

Michael Tharp – KG5TJF 2nd the motion

All agreed – motion passed

Holiday Dinner will be at Spring Creek BBQ in

McKinney, December 19th for 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm

CoCo Best – Dave Koch – W8OV

Nov. 5th Bonham HS

Collin County Boosting

Engineering

Science

Technology

BEST began in Texas in 1992

CoCo Best is one of many BEST Robotics Hubs in the US

Each year there is a new task for a robot

Student teams may have a coach, but the design and construction of

their robot must be done by students

Competitions are for Middle Schools, High Schools, and Home School

students

In Texas some school teams also compete under UIL auspices

Top scorers at Hub competitions advance to a Texas BEST and/or

UIL final

Teams are given a free set of materials for building their robot, as well

as a loan of remote-control motors, etc

Teams all have the same time and materials to build their entry.

Materials are donated by individuals, companies, etc.

No cost to students.

Students may raise funds for tools, transportation to a competition, etc.

Teams keep a notebook about their design and building work.

Teams may build a display

Teams may design a T-Shirt.

Teams make a sales presentation of their robot.

Notebooks are judged and scored as part of the overall score.

Displays are scored by a group of judges.

T-Shirts are judged and scored.

Judges score the presentations

Communication is needed to assist in operating the competition.

At some schools only the playing field can be set up in a gymnasium.

A ‘pit’ area for teams to work on their robot between rounds is set up in

another room.

Radio is used to notify teams when to move from the pit to the

competition room.

Radio is also used at times to communicate among Hub officials.

For volunteers, doors open at 7:00 am

Breakfast is available then.

Lunch occurs between rounds and is announced.

Often volunteers get a T-Shirt to wear at the competition.

The competition is indoors

It is usually over by 5:00 pm, and often earlier

Bring:

2m and 440 mHz FM handheld radio

Headset because it is noisy

To volunteer, contact

Dave, W8OV

[dave.w8ov@gmail.com](mailto:dave.w8ov@gmail.com)

Kip Moravec – AE5IB

December 11th – Dallas Marathon

Volunteers needed for

Water stops

Supplies

Nets

Sag wagons, etc

VE Testing Results – Daryl Morgeson – AF5QJ

Michael Snyder passed his Tech and General exam

Last weekend the class had 16 students and 15 passed the Tech exam

Old Business

None

New Business:

Tim Johnson – K5TCJ

October is time for PARK Elections 2022

On even years the following positions are open to all club members

Vice-President – Anthony Burokas KB3DVS

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Secretary – Johnnie Young KG5CQO

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Web Master – James McCormick KG5KBP

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Public relations Director – Dan Daniels W5KKQ

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Communications Director – Dick Thoit N5FCB

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Michael Tharp KG5TJF recommended the ballot be passed by

Acclamation

Nell Bartell KA5PHN 2nd the motion

All agreed, the ballot is passed by acclamation

Congratulati㋛ns to the returning officers and to the new officers

Break: 7:45 pm to 7:55 pm

Please sign in (if you haven’t already)

Buy More Raffle Tickets

Mix and Mingle

Raffle—Tim Johnson K5TCJ

Michael Tharp – KG5TJF pick his own ticket

Split pot is $18 for club and $18 for himself

Congratulations to Michael

Tonight’s Program

Go Kits for HF & VHF

Bob Nines KD5QDQ

Each time I work on a go kit I make changes. Now on version 2 of 3 with the modifications. What is in my go box? I need my stuff to operate. It is my “be ready bag”. My go box is what I use at home and in the park. Over time and tries and drilling of holes I now use Velcro to hold items in the box. Everything is set up to connect in the front. The only things I use screws to hold in place are the one that take stress.

Bob gave a very interesting and thoughtful presentation and left us all laughing about his process.

Thanks, Bob, for all the valuable information.

Adjournment: 8:50 pm

Thank you for attending

See you on the air.

K5PRK/R 147.180 + (PL 107.2)

K5PRK/R 444.250 + (PL 79.7)

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