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

 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

 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

 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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