

## Treasurer's Report – April 2021

Shannon Ranes / WA2NVK – CMARC Treasurer

<b><u>Beginning Business Checking Account Balance</u></b>	<b>\$4,663.24</b>
Total Monthly Income	\$40.00
Total Monthly Business Expenditures	(\$0.00)
Total Business Checking	\$4,703.24
Petty Cash	\$1.00
Outstanding Checks	(\$80.00)
<b>Sub Total + Petty Cash</b>	<b>\$4,624.24</b>

### **Primary Shared Accounts**

Humphrey's Fund	\$384.50
Club Station	\$19.09
Building Fund	\$260.06
Field Day	\$178.94
<b>Total Net Worth</b>	<b>\$5,466.83</b>
Youth Fund Balance*	\$254.88

\*Separate from CMARC Funds

### **Notes**

Checking - Deposited \$40.00 in Dues.

Building - \$0.01 interest.

Two \$40 memorial checks have not cleared.

# CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

Saturday, April 3, 2021

## Attendance

Board Members Present: D. Dembinski (KD8YDE), S. Ranes (WA2NVK), D. Vick (W8ZZX),  
D. McLain (KB8RAD), G. Mulder (WB8LZG) K. Fitzgerald (N9PC)

Board Members Absent: G. Smith (KE8JKS)

Visitors: C. Ranes (NS8Q), J. Doornhaag (KD8NNQ)

## Call to Order

- The meeting began at 7:07pm. Vice-President Dembinski (KD8YDE) presided over the meeting, in the absence of President Gordy Smith (KE8JKS).

## Club Business

- **VHF Tech Net:** VP Dembinski noted that the Technical VHF net on 145.390 MHz would be temporarily suspended, due to wind damage to President Smith's station. Word will be sent out to the general membership via our social media channels.
- **Volunteer Survey:** Discussion ensued regarding the Volunteer Committee Interest survey executed by Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) and submitted to the Board for approval. It was moved by Secretary Vick, supported by Director McLain, to release the Survey to the general membership.
- **Ladies' Night/Ziegenbein Picnic:** Director Fitzgerald stated she was checking out some food trucks regarding food quality, menu selections, and availability. John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ) stated that the Ziegenbein Committee has chosen a recipient for the 2020 Award, and the plaque is engraved and ready to be bestowed. Treasurer Ranes shared that she has reached out to the Lansing Parks & Rec Dept. regarding potentially holding the Picnic at Francis Park Pavilion, provided the City of Lansing will allow a food truck to operate on park property. Further discussion ensued regarding the date and time of the event and contracting a vendor.
- **Field Day 2021:** Discussion ensued regarding the potential use of Raynor Park for Field Day 2021 in June. Dan Beuchert has spoken with Ed Hude at the City of Mason regarding park use, however it is too soon to tell what capacity the park will be functioning at, depending on the various health & safety policies surrounding the Coronavirus pandemic response.
- **Hamfest 2021:** VP Dembinski stated he had started making some calls and working out details, but needed to confirm the dates & rates. It was confirmed that the date is Saturday, September 18th. Secretary Vick stated we should hold to the 2019 pricing of \$5 admission and \$5 table rental for vendors, and give folks a break. Further, it was agreed to give vendors one free admission for each table rented. It was also discussed and agreed to begin publicizing our Hamfest in the ARRL calendars and publications immediately. The Board agreed that it is definitely a good thing we are going ahead with Hamfest this year.

- **2021 Dues Increase:** Secretary Vick noted that the Board neglected to publicize the 2022 membership dues increase that had been approved by the Board at the March General Membership Meeting. He will add it to the April General Meeting agenda.
- **Post-Meeting Speakers:** Treasurer Ranes spoke about possibly having an estate planner as a guest speaker at a general membership meeting. The idea was universally approved by the Board. Treasurer Ranes will follow up with the speaker to ascertain her availability and whether there would be a speaker's fee. It was asked if anyone had a guest speaker for the April General Meeting; there was none. VP Dembinski shared he had spoken with a tower installer, and would follow up with the man to perhaps speak at a future meeting.

### **Adjournment**

- With no further business to discuss, it was Moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX), seconded by Treasurer Ranes (WA2NVK) to adjourn the April Board Meeting at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Vick, W8ZZX  
CMARC Secretary

# CENTRAL MICHIGAN AMATEUR RADIO CLUB GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Friday, April 9, 2021

## Attendance

Board Members Present: D. Dembinski (KD8YDE), S. Ranes (WA2NVK), D. Vick (W8ZZX),  
D. McLain (KB8RAD), G. Mulder (WB8LZG), K. Fitzgerald (N9PC)

Board Members Absent: G. Smith (KE8JKS)

General Members: W8MKB, K8TS, WD8OVL, KE8RNS, N8FZ, KD8VJD, KE8MOA,  
NS8Q, KCØMYP, KC8ZLQ, KC8QZB, W8QF, WX8MOJ, KD8MWA,  
WA8WPI, KD2GVS, WA8WFI, KE8QKN, N8UMX, KD8NNQ,  
WD8PVS, WA8QJE, KE8MIZ, AC8YF, W8EO, K8YHH, Mark Miller

Visitors: Tim Conroy (WB8HRO), Abby Beuchert

## Call to Order

- The meeting began at 7:02pm
- Vice-President Dan Dembinski (KD8YDE) chaired the meeting, in the absence of President Gordy Smith (KE8JKS).

## Sign-In Sheets

- Secretary Dave Vick (W8ZZX) took attendance from the Zoom register.

## New Members & Visitors

- Tim Conroy (WB8HRO) was in attendance.

## Treasurer's Report

- It was moved by Mike Wetzel (W8QF), supported by John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ) to accept the March Treasurer's Report as published in the Scope and on the Club website. The motion carried.

## Secretary's Report

- It was moved by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX), supported by Ben Barker (WD8OVL) to accept the March Secretary's Report as published in the Scope and on the Club website. The motion carried.

## Cards & Flowers Report

- There was no report this month.

## General Announcements

- **Dues:** Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) announced that based on the results of the recent Steering Committee survey, the Board of Directors has approved an increase of the membership dues from \$20 to \$30, effective January 1st, 2022. John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ) clarified that any dues paid toward 2022 will be at the increased rate, regardless of what month they are paid in.

- **Field Day 2021:** Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) announced that planning for Field Day 2021 is covering many contingencies. We are still not certain of the status of any operations at Rayner Park. Other ideas included the field by the clubhouse at H&H Welding, or using a church parking lot. Mark Filonczuk (N8UMX) asked Dan about potentially using the Ingham County Fairgrounds. Dan will follow up with the Fair Director. Discussion ensued regarding options for running operations and raising antennas in areas with with no trees. We will continue planning for any contingency. Mike Wetzel (W8QF) asked if our Field Day events were required to be held in Ingham County, or could it be held “just over the line” in Eaton County. Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) stated that there was nothing specifically stated it must be held in Ingham County, however the 501(c)(3) paperwork says we are based in Ingham County, but as long as the event was in or near the general “Served Area” we'd be okay. Mike Bofysil (KE8ZLQ) asked about using the Island Park in Grand Ledge. Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) stated we would most likely have to seek permission from the City of Grand Ledge.
- **Committee Interest Survey:** Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) shared that the Club Interest Survey has been published, for those who may be interested in serving on one of the newly-created Club Committees. So far we have four responses.
- **ARPSC:** The ARPSC Training net will be running on 145.390 on Monday, April 12th at 7pm. Brian Vissers (KE8NJT) will be conducting a program on choking & fractures. The next ARPSC Zoom meeting will be on Monday, April 19th and Jim Hannahs (KC8QWH) will be conducting a program on heat emergencies. Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) also shared that the ARPSC has uploaded a 30-minute video from the ARPSC Zoom meeting on March 15, 2021 that covered Skywarn procedures to the ARPSC website. The video can be found at <http://www.lansingarpesc.com/skywarn/>
- **LCDRA Fundraiser:** Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) shared that Jim Hannahs is selling handmade wooden bird feeders, birdhouses, and &c. as a fundraiser for LCDRA. There is an ad for these items in the recent Scope newsletter. LCDRA will need funding to help offset costs of the upcoming repeater relocation from Potterville back to the WKAR station tower in Okemos. Mike Boensch (W8MKB) noted that the April LCDRA meeting has been cancelled.
- **Clubhouse Sale:** VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) asked Dan Beuchert (WX8MOJ) if he had any new information from Kevin regarding the impending sale of the Kerns Road building. There is no news, aside from a new For Sale sign that has been posted in front of the building.
- **Hamfest 2021:** VP Dembinski (KD8YDE) shared that DX Engineering will be sending items for our Hamfest in September but will not be coming into the State of Michigan to work the event live, because of our tax rules. The regular embroiderer will not be doing any festivals this year, due to coronavirus. He shared that a lot of vendors are remaining inactive. Our event is now published in the ARRL Calendar. VP Dembinski asked of anyone knew of any other vendors or merchants who might like to set up a table at our event. Ed Hude (WA8QJE) stated that he would research the Michigan Tax law for Out-of-State Vendors. VP Dembinski then asked if there should be a cut-off time where we may cancel

Hamfest? Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) stated "definitely not; you get Success by planning for Success." Treasurer Raney (WA2NVK) reminded VP Dembinski that we have already paid a non-refundable deposit to the Conference Center, so it would be pointless to cancel. Further discussion ensued regarding possible vendors.

- **Nets:** VP Dembinski stated the morning net on 145.390 will be back on Monday, April 12th. The CMARC Technical Net will be back on the air once President Gordy Smith (KE8JKS) can repair his VHF antenna system.
- **VE Session & Testing:** Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) noted that there will be a VE session on Saturday, April 10th at 11am at the West Lansing Church of Christ on W. St. Joe Hwy. Gene Parker (KE8QKN) asked what he would need to focus on for the General exam. John Doornhaag (KD8NNQ) shared that there wasn't much difference between the Tech and General tests, but it was tough to point to anything specific to study on, since there are five different General tests, so the questions vary widely across the subject matter.
- **MSU Amateur Radio Club:** Ed Oxer (W8EO) shared that the MSU ARC would be running two portable stations somewhere on campus for the Michigan QSO Party contest on April 17th. He also reminded the membership that the club still held its UHF net on Thursday nights at 8pm on the 442.900MHz UHF repeater.
- **Michigan QSO Party:** Chris Raney (NS8Q) reminded the membership that the Michigan QSO Party contest would be running on Saturday, April 17th from 12:00 noon thru 12:00 midnight. Interested hams can get info and sign up at [www.miqp.org](http://www.miqp.org)
- **Scope Newsletter:** Treasurer Raney (WA2NVK) reminded the membership that if they had any updates, stories, or classified ads that they would like published in the Scope newsletter, they could send materials to publisher Chris Raney at "cmarcscope@gmail.com."

### Deferred Business

- None

### New Business

- None

### Adjournment

- With no further business to discuss, it was Moved by Tom Horton (KD2GVS), seconded by Secretary Vick (W8ZZX) to adjourn the business meeting at 7:40pm and move to the social portion of the evening.

### Tonight's Presentation

- There was no presentation

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Vick, W8ZZX  
CMARC Secretary