DADE RADIO CLUB MARCH 12, 2018 MINUTES OF MEETING

PRESIDENT: JULIO HERRERA (KK4KMO) (NOT PRESENT)
VICE PRESIDENT: LLOYD KURTZMAN (W4KAM) (NOT PRESENT)
CORPORATE SECRETARY: JOANNE CARBANA (KG4GKU)
TREASURER: LEE ABRAMS (WB2CVW)
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: LLOYD KURTZMAN (W4KAM) (NOT PRESENT)

BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

ESTHER SANCHEZ (KI40TX) (NOT PRESENT)
MIGUEL GARATE (KJ4YUN) (NOT PRESENT)
JASON SWIFT (WB0ATS)
RAY VAUGHAN (KD4BBM)
ANDY PICHIS (N3PI) (NOT PRESENT)

WEB SITE: http://www.daderadioclub.org

Meeting was called to order at 7:35 with 22 present. We have a quorum.

Brandon presided over the meeting and welcomed everyone. Julio is working. The meeting was not broadcast live on the air tonight from the EOC. There was testing being conducted in another room tonight. Everyone took turns and stated their name and call sign. Brandon welcomed everyone again.

Secretary: Approval of the minutes is tabled until next month. See Joanne to sign in.

Corresponding Secretary: Lloyd is not present tonight. He is working.

Treasurer – Lee announced that he is putting together a new roster. We have $5,510.70 in the bank.

Ryan is in testing. The website is working.

Club Elmer/PIO – Miguel not present tonight. He is working.

Hambulance – Merritt advised that he got is started today. It needs air in the tires. He is going to check with Miguel for the registration. It was discussed if we should keep working on it, or sell it and put the money towards the repeater project.

Wheel Heroes Shorty 40 Bike Riders bike event was discussed by David. This was a charity ride from last month in Everglades National Park.

Brandon spoke about the MS Key Largo Bike run which took place March 3 and 4. It was a successful event. APRS was very helpful. He thanked everyone that participated.

Repeater Update:

The 147.000 – Jason nothing yet.

The 147.760 – Ray said it’s up and running. He advised that UM published a web page of improvements being made and we are not on it. We need to relocate the repeater.

The 444.200 – Merritt advised that we are going to get it moved; need new antennas and a new machine.
D-Star - Brandon asked if anyone is using it and no one replied. It’s on the air and working.

Emergency Committee – Lloyd was not present tonight. He is working. Robert announced that there will be a RACES meeting early next month for hurricane season.

Net Manager – Brandon advised that the nets are still taking place every Wednesday at 7 PM. The frequencies are posted on our website.

Brandon asked if there was any other old business. There was none.

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There was no other new business.

David gave a presentation on dual band hand held radios since he is working on ships. He also wanted one to monitor HF. Antennas are a problem. There is a new radio that he found online – County Com GP 5 SSB for $89.00. It has a built-in antenna; and comes with 2 other antennas; a stand; a pouch; has a USB connection; and uses AA batteries. Great presentation David. Thank you!

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Brandon thanked everyone for coming.

Dave made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Benny. The DRC meeting was adjourned at 8:12.

Joanne Carbana
KG4GKU