UAARC Club Meeting Minutes March 10th 2025

17 voting members present including 3 officers. We had a quorum.

1 visitor, Herb AC5C.

1 new member, George Wood K6GMW.

John Keith, President W5BWC called meeting to order with standing roll call.

William Collier, Vice President KG5SVM is working on programs for this year. Please check out the club's website for updated info. The board voted to raise the club website server storage to 10 gigs' due to running out of space. The increase will support the club continuing to keep helpful info on website. The increase being $60 per year.

Debbie Collier, secretary treasurer club report - the club has 31 club members. 21 are ARRL affiliated. The club has $ 1,134.76. Unpaid liabilities $719.49, leaving the club with a balance of $ 415.27. Contact Debbie for club t-shirts, polos and hats.

Jo Ann Keith, KA5AZK is the refreshment coordinator- please sign up to bring refreshments. Also, KA5AZK will be hosting a Traffic Handling Training Class TBA. Please sign up or contact Jo Ann KA5AZK. KA5AZK has also put together a New Ham booklet free of charge if you are interested or know someone who might need one. See Jo Ann.

Jeff Larry, KI5OVZ is the Public Information Coordinator club coordinator and is working with Jo Ann KA5AZK and William KG5SVM to contact new hams in the area. Jeff will be putting a club post card together with the others to send out from the club.

Regular announcements- The ARES meets every Thursday for training at 8 pm on the club repeater. You do not have to be a member to join us.

The UAARC Net meets at 7pm every Monday except for club monthly meetings on Monday. It is an informal net. So please join when you can. Debbie is working on sending out reminders through text. Please contact Debbie KI5BHT to be added to reminder or for any questions.

John, W5BWC brings up the topic of UAARC Club 501 C 3 Incorporation. The board has been gathering info on this and is ready to present to club for vote. Hand out passed out with info collected. Including info that the club could not have bank account without tax ID. This is one of the main reasons for looking into this option. It will provide us some identity and liability. This non-profit status would also allow us to have donations to the club that people could use for a tax deductible on their returns. We would also be able to receive grants from companies. We could also sell our shirts and hats at a profit to the club and use that money to help support the club. Things we purchase for the club's use would be tax exempt as well. The requirements would be a yearly meeting to cover and update any info. We file yearly with the IRS. We would use a CPA for the first year. Thereafter we would most likely be able to do ourselves. It would be important to have detailed records, which we have now. The fees would include Texas fee $25 and federal $300 and CPA fee $ 300. So, the club needs $725. The CPA is going to go through our by-laws to insure we are compliant with everything they require. They will be brought back to the club after for approval. This will be announced a month before to ensure all are aware of all the info. We will use paper ballots. W5BWC opens floor for discussion and questions. The following Monday night club net topic will be the club's

possible incorporation to help get the info out. John will also send out an email to registered club members.

John, W5BWC calls for a vote to move forward. Larry calls for vote Rod seconds it. Passes to move forward with unanimous vote of 17.

W5BWC hands over to William KG5SVM for the monthly presentation on APRS.

John closes meeting, William seconds.

Refreshments brought by Larry.