



LARC Board Meeting Minutes – May 5, 2021

The LARC Board meeting for May 2021 was held May 5 at 7:00 pm online via Zoom.

		Position	Name	Call	Present
Board of Directors	Officers	President	Chuck Poch	K0ITP	X
		Vice President	Michael Ritchie	W0KKI	X
		Secretary	Pat Engstrom	W1PGE	X
		Treasurer	Don Lewis	KE0EE	X
	Standing	Past President/Historian	Jerry Schmidt	N0OUW	X
		Membership Chair	Steve Shearer	K0STE	X
		Tech Chair	Mark Skelton	N7CTM	X
		Planning Chair	Doug Altman	KE0SI	X
		Publicity Chair	Steve Haverstick	KF0AGY	X
		Education Chair	Kat/Bryan Gonderinger	W0UM/AF0W	X

Current By-laws call for these board positions.

Additional Attendees:

Dick Paige – KE0VT, LARC Fest Coordinator

Secretary Report – Pat Engstrom (W1PGE)

- Approve the minutes of the previous Board meeting – Approved.

Treasurer Report – Don (KE0EE)

- Approve Treasurer Report. Detailed report is in Appendix A. – Approved

Education Report – Bryan (AF0W) and Kat (W0UM)

See Appendix B.

Publicity Chair report – Steve Haverstick (KF0AGY)

Steve will work on a Google Form for ordering Club items.

Planning Chair report – Doug Altman (KE0SI)

Boulder County plans to go to level 'clear' on May 16 which opens up a number of possibilities for Club activities.

The main item for discussion Wednesday is the ARRL Field Day. What do you think we should do? I list three options. Option 1 costs us about \$100 (we get a very significant discount from the city for our event). Option 2 \$60.

June 26th and 27th ARRL Field Day

ARRL same rules as last year plus ... Club members can operate from their home location using house power, or be mobile, or portable.

Options:

- 1) Reserve Izack Walton Pavilion on Sunset. Set up two stations. Have operator schedule. The city needs to know if we want to reserve the Pavilion (entire park) indoors and out. For both days or just one day. AF4BY is willing to stay all night again, to eat, sleep and operate the radio. I will not use the Spiderbeam this year. It takes 6 people one hour to set up and to take down. We could have two or three wire antennas. Maybe buy a couple of mini G5RV antennas to use.
- 2) Hold out doors, Izack Walton park on Sunset, on Saturday only. Two stations. Easy to put up antennas.
- 3) Operate from home like last year, and turn in logs with individual call sign, and affiliation with LARC.

The Board approved option 1, including the \$100 rental fee to the City of Longmont.

August 7th --- Fair Parade. I was told there will be a parade, even if there is no Fair.

August 14th --- LARC annual - Radio in the Park. Thompson park pavilion. 11am till 5pm. If Boulder County goes Covid Clear level, we should be able to do this.

August 21st ----- Triathlon ----- The city has it on the public schedule, and is taking registrations. I have called the city planner for this event to get more details. The Club will not participate in the Triathlon.

October 30th Saturday, 10 am --- Halloween Parade. The city would like us there.

November 13th Saturday --- Turkey Trot foot race. The city would like us to be there. Same location as in prior years, Altona School.

December 8th or 15th -- LARC Christmas Dinner. Doug will look into the Niwot Grange, and plan on having the event, pending the pandemic. Chuck will look into Terry Street as an alternative venue.

December 11 – Parade of Lights.

Chuck proposed another event which would be removing some equipment from the 350 Terry Street facility. This would occur in June.

Technical Chair report – Mark Skelton (N7CTM)

Mark wants to replace some Cat 5 cables in the repeater installation. The cost would be \$250 for improvements. The motion was approved by the Board.

Membership Report – Steve Shearer (K0STE)

5 - Life Members

161 – Total included all members in the active database

4 - New members last Month

31 – Due < 90 days

Membership Verification Emails – April 2021

51.25% responded

55 with updates

27 with no updates needed

Past President Report – Jerry Schmidt (N0OUW)

Nothing to report.

Vice President Report – Michael Ritchie (W0KKI)

Mike has posted another Ed Fong purchase form on the website.

Mike has decided to resign as BCARES alternate Club representative due to other commitments. Jerry will work on recruiting an alternate.

President Report – Chuck Poch (K0ITP)

Chuck is working on a fox hunt toward the end of May.

This month's General meeting is Ward Fox on grounding
Chuck asked how we can help out some of our senior members who are in facilities that have limited capability for radios and antennas.

Old Business

LARC Fest – Dick Paige (KE0VT). Boulder County has no dates available for a LARC Hamfest.

Dick is holding a Club breakfast on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in the Frederick/Firestone area.

New Business

None discussed

Items for Future Discussion

Return to in person meetings. Chuck is working with 350 Terry on the possibility of returning to in person meetings for the Club. It is planned for the Board to meet in person for the June meeting at the Terry Street location.

Meeting Close

Meeting was adjourned at 8:35 PM

Respectively submitted,

Pat Engstrom, Secretary

Financial Summary
Income and Expenses

	<u>April</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
43400 · Direct Public Support			
43410 · Corporate Contributions	0.00	1,057.75	
43470 · Member Donations	<u>440.00</u>	<u>1,845.00</u>	
Total 43400 · Direct Public Support	440.00	2,902.75	
45000 · Investments			
45030 · Interest-Savings, Short-term CD	<u>0.21</u>	<u>1.56</u>	
Total 45000 · Investments	0.21	1.56	
46400 · Other Types of Income			
46430 · Miscellaneous Revenue	<u>71.20</u>	<u>71.20</u>	Shipping Received
Total 46400 · Other Types of Income	71.20	71.20	
47200 · Program Income			
47250 · LARC Fest Receipts	0.00	-45.00	
47260 · Sale of Club Items or Material			
47264 · Sale of Material Purchased	954.50	954.50	
47260 · Sale of Club Items or Material - Other	<u>0.00</u>	<u>843.00</u>	
Total 47260 · Sale of Club Items or Material	<u>954.50</u>	<u>1,797.50</u>	
Total 47200 · Program Income	954.50	1,752.50	
47300 · Educational Program			
47320 · License Manuals and other	<u>0.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>	
Total 47300 · Educational Program	<u>0.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>	
Total Income	1,465.91	4,753.01	
Expense			
50000 · Program Expenses			
50010 · Misc Club Activities	999.50	1,546.35	
50040 · Engineering Activities			
50044 · Go Box Construction and Support	<u>0.00</u>	<u>223.15</u>	
Total 50040 · Engineering Activities	<u>0.00</u>	<u>223.15</u>	
Total 50000 · Program Expenses	999.50	1,769.50	
60900 · Business Operations			
60914 · Paypal Service Fee	42.92	73.27	
60916 · Postage, Mailing Service	0.00	29.75	
60918 · Supplies	0.00	107.50	
60920 · Business Registration Fees	0.00	20.00	
60960 · Insurance - Liability, D and O	0.00	200.00	

60900 · Business Operations - Other	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	
Total 60900 · Business Operations	42.92	430.52	
62800 · Facilities and Equipment			
62890 · Rent, Parking, Utilities	<u>912.00</u>	<u>912.00</u>	Storage Unit
Total 62800 · Facilities and Equipment	912.00	912.00	
65100 · Other Types of Expenses			
65130 · Memberships	<u>0.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>	
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	<u>0.00</u>	<u>25.00</u>	
Total Expense	<u>1,954.42</u>	<u>3,137.02</u>	
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-488.51</u>	<u>1,615.99</u>	
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2020-05-05 - LARC Board Meeting

VE Status

1. ARRL exam session held on Saturday, April 24
 - a. 7 candidates tested, 11 total exams given
 - i. 4 new Techs
 - ii. 1 new General (Tech and General)
 - iii. 1 upgrade to General
 - iv. No Extra exams given
 - b. 2 new club members - need to get money to Don
2. Next session is Sunday, May 16
 - i. Currently 11 candidates signed up in two sessions

CCARC Semi-Annual Meeting

1. Assigned 10 wideband 70cm frequencies for hotspots - have one-page FAQ on their web page
2. Colorado repeater maps are in process of being printed. Going to be distributed by HRO due to tax issues. Likely cost will be \$3. Checking to see if a club discount would be available.
3. Updated articles of incorporation to meet 501(c)3 requirements
4. Now have three categories of club membership, each with a different number of votes. We qualify as large and have 4 votes, but will go down to medium if we fall under 150 club members.
5. Sponsoring Colorado QSO party with award plaques
6. Need more in-state participants for state QSO party
7. Robert Wareham, N0ESQ
 - a. Vice-director of Rocky Mountain Division of ARRL
 - b. Said he'd be happy to present at any club meetings (online or in person)
 - c. Plans to visit as many Field Day sites as possible - said to make sure they are listed on ARRL's FD web page
8. Meeting was via Zoom, and President suggested going back to in-person for next meetings, but running Zoom in parallel for those who could not attend. Was some pushback stating that this really results in two meetings - the "real meeting" which is in person, and then the "Zoom meeting" which can't effectively participate
9. Rally Colorado - off-road rally race.
 - a. Decided paying for Business Part 90 radio support was too expensive, so is attempting to recruit individual amateurs.

- b. ARRL's stance is that this violates Part 97 rules - not a public service type event, radio is being used for administrative functions
- c. In previous years, hams were supporting Sheriff's office, not the race directly.
- d. Marathons that charge entry fees would likely have similar issues.
- e. Mark discussed this on the Hamlet net this week, plan to have article in Splatter.