

# **General Meeting Minutes High Desert Amateur Radio Club of NM Inc.**

**for 15 Feb 2025**

The meeting called to order at 10:08

**Attendees:** See sign-in sheet.

## **Presentation:**

Mary Ann Cornett (NS7X) – Why we should learn CW.

**Visitors** - Mike Yearling – Wichita, KS been in ABQ about a month; Bob Finch W9YA, Gabriel Mora student from DATA Academy

## **Secretary's Report**

Minutes emailed. Motion to approve the minutes by Harvey Dove; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Steve. Approved.

## **Past President's, David Ham (N6SIK) Report:**

- Saturday Chat Shack Net on Saturdays.
- Check in on the repeaters just to see if anyone is there. The frequency is 442.750 and tone is 162.2. Repeater has 100 mile coverage
- Homebrew Contest
- Thanks to Steve L. for fixing the antenna analyzer.
- Great YouTube video to watch "Top 5 Ways to Tune a Ham Stick Without an Analyzer"
- Microphone etiquette

## **Treasurer's Report**

71 paid members

\$11995.18 of which \$5K in CD

Accrued interest of \$131.13 on CD

## **Old Business:**

1. HDARC Newsletter Name was voted on and High Desert Dispatch was selected.
2. Upcoming seminars:

## **New Business**

### **Election of Officers:**

Slate presented. Motion to Accept the slate by Mike Chirin, 2<sup>nd</sup> Elaine Summerhill. No further discussion. Vote taken.

1 Yr BOD – MaryAnn Cornett (NS7X)

Vice President for 1 yr – John Gleason (K5JVG)

2 Yr BOD – Ken Ham (AG5UY)

2 Yr BOD – Bill Jackson (KM6CRL)

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Kenneth Ham & MaryAnn Cornett were inducted. Bill Jackson & John Gleason were both absent and will be inducted at a future time.

### **Announcements:**

- Paul Bouthillier (KB0WMA)– Looking for volunteers to provide COMMS for Run for the Zoo
- Next week STEM Day at the Nuclear Museum. Saturday 27 at 8:00 am set up time.
- Upcoming workshops:
  - Training emergency nodes next Saturday at 9am with Ed Poccia (KC2LM) and another. It's being held at the Nuclear Museum on Eubank NE.
  - DSTAR workshop on Mar 22, limit 15 at the Vineyards Clubhouse on Edith
  - SOTA on April 12 no location yet, limit 25
  - FT8 by Jim Frazier (KC5RUO)
  - James Boswell – tape measure antenna
  - CW workshop, 5 Saturdays, limited spaces
- Chat Shack Net on Saturday. The incentive program ends on Mar 1. Winner will be drawn at the March meeting.
- Trip to the VLA in Sunspot, NM on 6/7 with a behind the scenes tour & an presentation by an astronomer.

**50/50:** David Ham

**Radio:** Kenneth Ham

**Next meeting** on 15 Mar 2025

**Meeting adjourned** – 12:06