

National Capitol DX Association

Meeting Minutes

The February 24, 2018 meeting of the National Capitol DX Association was held at the Fairview Park Marriott in Falls Church, VA. The meeting was called to order at 17:20 by the President, Fred Laun, K3ZO. The following is a list of the members in attendance.

Name	Call	Member
Dick Maylott	W2YE	Yes
John Kanode	N4MM	Yes
Fred Laun	K3ZO	Yes
Phil Barsky	K3EW	Yes
Terry Hines	N4ZH	Yes
Rick Murphy	K1MU	Yes

Unfortunately, Don Search's perfect attendance record was broken because of his battle with Shingles. Hopefully, we will see Don (W3AZD) and Hope (WB3ANE) at the April meeting.

Secretary's Report: The corrected minutes from the December 2017 meeting were read and there was a motion by John Kanode to accept the corrected minutes. The motion was seconded by Fred Laun.

Treasurer's Report: The closing balance as of 24 February was \$3,360.17 and the report included the list of active dues paying members. The treasurer also reported that the club's filing with the IRS for 2017 was completed; no taxes were owed. The treasurer also reported on two issues related to the club's by-laws. 1) The by-law currently call for 5 board members. The recommendation was made to either identify five club members to fill the vacant board member position or modify the by-laws to reduce the number of required board members. A vote to change the by-laws will be taken electronically. 2) There was a question regarding the voting rights of members with honorary status. Only those members whose dues are paid are allowed to vote and since honorary members do not pay dues they are not permitted to vote.

President's Report: Fred reported that he is now on the signature line for all checks written on the NCDXA account held at United Bank. The president also reported that he had paid from his own funds the fees to his personal accountant and lawyer to file the documents required to maintain the club's corporation status in the Commonwealth of Virginia. The president also reported the 3rd District QSL Bureau continues to conduct normal operations. Fred represented the NCDXA at the wake held for Dave Collingham, K3LP. He reported that K1LZ, who had been on 22 DXpeditions with Dave, was there along with K9PG from Illinois.

League Report: John Kanode, N4MM, reported the Mobile DXCC Award is now available and is being managed on the honor system exactly like the QRP DXCC Award in that no endorsements or QSLs are required. The DX Advisory Committee recommended to the Board that any entity that is either a member of the IARU or on the State Department's list of Independent States be included on the DXCC list. Kosovo was immediately approved and the first group using the call Z60A made over 80,000 QSOs. Z60AM will be active from 20 February through 3 March and Z60BG will be active March 29th through April 19th. Z60AA and Z60RBJ will be active starting in mid-May. John also reported on the recent Board of Directors meeting and that any proposed changes to the Code of Conduct will be distributed 60 days prior to voting and all League members will be allowed to comment on the changes. The Shenandoah Valley Amateur Radio Club will be celebrating their 70th Anniversary at a dinner in Cedarville, VA on April 14th. All amateurs are welcome to attend the dinner. John also reported he is going to the Dayton Hamvention that is still called the Dayton Hamvention even though it will be held in Xenia, Ohio.

Next Meeting: The tentative location for the April meeting is the Dogfish Bone Ale House in Gaithersburg, MD on the 14th at noon. The noon meeting time will hopefully attract additional members. If the Ale House is unavailable our Treasurer will try to find another Maryland location. Members are asked to reply to the upcoming announcement indicating their intention to attend. Those members that have a last minute change in plans and want to attend the meeting are encouraged to join us.

Meeting Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 18:10.

