

## National Capitol DX Association

### Meeting Minutes

The June 16, 2018 meeting of the National Capitol DX Association was held at W3LPL's Annual Open House in Glenwood, MD. The meeting was called to order at 12:35 by the President, Fred Laun, K3ZO. The following members and guests were in attendance.

Name	Call	Member
Dick Maylott	W2YE	Yes
John Kanode	N4MM	Yes
Fred Laun	K3ZO	Yes
Phil Barsky	K3EW	Yes
Don Search	W3AZD	Yes
Hope Smith	WB3ANE	Yes
Terry Hines	N4ZH	Yes
Brian Gaffney	K3PU	Yes
Jim Locke	W3NRJ	Yes
Rick Burich	K3YNY	No
Elaine Hambly	N3HMW	Yes
Rick Hambly	W2GPS	Yes
Coleman Baker	K4RZ	Yes
Larry Vogt	N4VA	Yes
Jess Barton	WJ4VA	No
David Kozinn	K2DBK	No
Bill Dobson	N3WD	No
Lloyd Chastant	W3NF	No
Dennis Nolte	W3HVY	Yes

**President's Report:** Fred opened the meeting by asking for self-introductions. Everett Bollin, WA3DVO who was at the April meeting in Gaithersburg, MD has expressed interest in being the DXCC Card Checker for the NCDXA. The club's secretary is currently the appointed card checker and is willing to resign so that Everett can assume the League appointment. The president asked Bill Dobson, N3WD, who is familiar with the current League DXCC Director, to address the current policies on Card Checkers. Bill reported that:

- 1) Re-appointment is automatic if the card checker participates in at least two conventions or hamfests annually.
- 2) A new Field Checker Form is being introduced that will be used at conventions and hamfests to document the card checker's activities at these events.
- 3) Each ARRL Division Director is allowed 7 DXCC Card Checker appointments.
- 4) Each Section Manager is allowed 1 DXCC Card Checker appointment.
- 5) Each ARRL Affiliated DXCC Club is allowed 1 DXCC Card Checker if 51% of the club's members are ARRL members.

Bill also reported that there is an annual renewal process that is on-line at the League's site that we have not been completing. Your secretary will attempt to fulfill this requirement within the next few days.

The president also reported that he is now listed on the club's checking account.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the April 2018 meeting were read and accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** The opening balance as of 31 May was \$3,420.17. The treasurer reported receipts of \$20 and an expenditure of \$20 for the W3 QSL Bureau for a closing balance equal to the opening balance. The treasurer reminds all members they can pay their dues on-line using Paypal.

**League Report:** John Kanode, N4MM, reported the League is currently searching for a new CEO and the next Board meeting will be held in July. John reported the ITU has no timeline established to address the issue of the provisional prefix of Z6 for Kosovo. He mentioned the on-going problem with the 60 Meter Band. When originally allocated, output power was limited to 15 watts but some countries are now allowing 100 watts. John mentioned the FCC is not spending much time on regulating the Amateur Radio Service but does seem interested in eliminating high power CB amplifiers being sold at some truck stops. The lack of funding at the FCC may affect their ability to address the League's request to expand the Technician Class License privileges.

**W3 QSL Bureau:** Fred reported that 4000 cards were recently received at the bureau.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be held at Fowlfest on September 15<sup>th</sup>. The location is the Seneca Lake Park in Gaithersburg, MD.