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## Minutes of the December 2018 KCRC Meeting, December 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018

Our December “Pre-Meeting Question and Answer Session” not a distance aspect this month, due to the large attendance, and the early meeting rearranging for the Holiday Party. This was made up for by “mini-TechNets” that broke out throughout this month’s meeting and the Holiday Party!

The monthly meeting was called to order at 7:50 PM, by our President, Mitch N2RGA. Also present at tonight’s meeting were Vice President Howard N2GOT Treasurer Richard KA2KDQ, General Secretary Roy AC2GS, Executive Board members-At-Large Berlotte KD2MYF, and Simon KD2LQE, Lloyd K2JVX, Al KD2QME, John WB2LFU, Gene KY2MY, Sam KC2LJC, Joe AC2AE, Jason KD2PUW, Jason KD2LRX, Alan KD2OMG, Donni W2BRV, Frank KD2QPU, Sandra, Ray W2DEA, (new member) Melanie KC2LUV, Laura KB2VDV, Dan KC2TRX, Bob KD2NVB, Robert W2ZF, and guests Cory and Lillian Statfield. Twenty-six participants!

The vote to accept the minutes of the November 7th meeting was passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report—Richard KA2KDQ, reported that our Treasury currently has \$1,327.39 in assets in our bank account, \$471.66 in our PayPal account and \$71 in cash, for a total of \$1,870.05. This past month we had four new membership join!

2 Meter Report—Richard KA2KDQ reported that he is averaging “about a dozen” check-ins weekly.

10 Meter Report—Our most recent Net had Roy AC2GS as temporary Net Control operator. Activity has picked up last week with exceptional propagation conditions for this time in the sunspot cycle. We will be instituting a rotating schedule for the Net Control Operator, consisting of Roy AC2GS, Joe AC2AE, and Howir KD2MSU. Anyone with a decent 10 Meter setup with a free hour or two on Sunday morning should consider volunteering for the remaining rotating slot. Perfect reception or a very strong signal is not necessarily needed. The participants of the Net are available to relay messages back and forth, as needed. Please consider volunteering for this position. The Club executive committee will try to cover the Net Control Operator post until a more permanent replacement is found.

KCRC TechNet —Our Net Control Operator and Host, Roy AC2GS, reported that the TechNet is still around. It is very dependent upon the number of participants. The November 14th edition had NO QUESTIONS, but the following TechNet was very active with a lot of people participating. Please consider listening and participating—either with questions or answers, or opinions. Participation makes or breaks a TechNet.

KC2RC FusionNet—The FusionNet continues to go strong, both locally and through its Wires-X room, and its Brandmeister access. There are 14-16 check-ins weekly and Wires-X check-ins from around the world! Jason has instituted a weekly question for all participants to answer—i.e why do you enjoy Fusion Digital mode. Anyone wishing to suggest a topic or question for the Fusion Net can email it to: [TheFusionExperience@KingsCountyRadioClub.com](mailto:TheFusionExperience@KingsCountyRadioClub.com) .

**Old Business:** Repeater status was discussed by Mitch N2RGA - Most pre-recorded audio files were successfully

loaded into the controller, but Mitch will be refreshing them with better versions on his next trip to the repeater. Our power amplifier is still in need of repair, and we hope to have it back in service by next month.

Discussions regarding a club logo patch were tabled due to the absence of the person that was going to produce them. We will revisit this (hopefully) during our January meeting.

### New Business:

Nominations were made for the 2019 Club Executive Board: Joe AC2AE for President, Simon KD2LQE for Vice President, Richard KA2KQDQ for Treasurer, Roy AC2GS for Secretary, Berlotte KD2MYF and Mitch N2RGA for Executive Board Members-At-Large during our November meeting. There were no further nominations this month, so a motion was made to approve this unopposed slate and it passed unanimously!

Our President Mitch N2RGA was presented with a plaque commemorating his dedication and service to our club. Our Vice President Howard N2GOT made a rousing speech commending the efforts of Mitch and the resulting growth and enthusiasm of our club and its members.

A number of items were raffled off at this time—a 2016 Edition of the ARRL Handbook, a battery with a built-in charger, a pair of CB radios and some scratch off cards.

Our 2018 General Meeting was completed and we all quickly shifted into *Holiday Party Mode!*

The party was formally closed at 10:10 PM and was declared an unqualified success!

Happy Holidays to ALL, and a Happy and Healthy New Year—We hope to see you all again for our January 2nd Meeting, come 2019!

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These minutes were respectfully recorded and submitted by Roy AC2GS on this day, December 5<sup>th</sup>, in the two thousandth and eighteenth year of our Lord of Propagation...

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[www.KingsCountyRadioClub.com](http://www.KingsCountyRadioClub.com)  
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# The KCRC 2018 Holiday Party!!!



Just before the annual Holiday Part commenced!

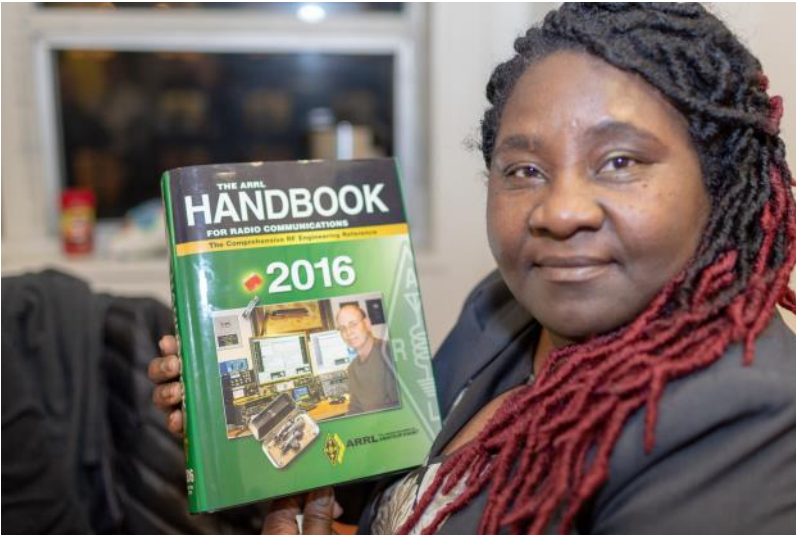


Our 2017-2018 President, with the plaque that he was awarded with at the Holiday Party!



Outgoing President Mitch N2RGA, with incoming President Joe AC2AE, and Vice President Simon KD2LQE





Our member of the Executive Board-At-Large holds her prize!



Jason KD2LRX holds his prize from the Party!



An impromptu segment of the KCRC Technical Net