

## MINUTES OF LIDXA INC. MEETING — November 21, 2017

Location: *Town of Oyster Ice Skating Center*, Community Room 1, Bethpage, N.Y.

John, W2GW, the LIDXA President, called to order the meeting of November 21 at 8:35PM after an extended socializing period. Members present at tonight's meeting included John, W2GW; Louise, K2MAU; Ed, K2MFY; Jack, NU2Q; Steve, N2AJ; Bob, K2YGM; Art, N2KA; Karen, W2ABK; and Aaron, WC2C.

### OLD BUSINESS

Some of the following DX was mentioned:

- General comments were made on the poor DX conditions during the past month. The solar flux numbers have been less than 75, accompanied with noisy conditions. The low bands are fairly good, but noisy.
- Several members reported working a new DXpedition in Mauritania as 5T5TI. They expect to be in the country for two weeks.
- A number of DX stations have been gearing up for the CQ WorldWide Contest (CW) to be held this weekend (November 25-26).

### NEW BUSINESS

Starting the business portion of tonight's meeting was the approval of the October 17th meeting minutes. These minutes were accepted as issued. Thanks to the efforts of our webmaster Pat, KE2LJ, the minutes appear on the LIDXA web site at: <http://www.qsl.net/lidxa>.

John, W2GW, LIDXA Treasurer, presented the Treasurer's report. Our current membership totals are 33 members—most have paid their annual dues. At tonight's meeting several members even paid up their dues for 2018. No expenses were incurred in the past month.

It was reported that an old-time member of the LIDXA member Jan Bridge, KB2RV, had passed away after a lengthy illness. Jan was a video archivist and worked on numerous television shows. He also worked part-time at *Barry's Electronics* in Manhattan.

The membership was reminded that our annual Holiday party will be held on Tuesday, December 12, 6:30PM, at *DJ's International Buffet* on 1100 Stewart Avenue in Garden City (<http://djsbuffet.com>). The club has had a numbers of parties there in previous times. This Holiday dinner will be in lieu of a December LIDXA meeting. Steve, N2AJ, requested that members RSVP to him on their attendance at [stevousa@aol.com](mailto:stevousa@aol.com) so he could confirm the reservation with the restaurant. The cost of the dinner is \$25 per person, which includes tax/tip, unlimited food, soda and tea.

The 19th annual “*Ham Radio University*” will once again be held early next year. The date is Saturday January 6, 2017 at *LIU Post*, in Brookville. This is a new location for HRU. This year HRU will feature over 30 forums and two workshops. Keynote speaker is Mike Lisenco, N2YBB, ARRL Hudson Division Director and LIDXA member. As in past years, the club will be presenting the DX Forum. Members W2GW and K2MFY have indicated their willingness to participate in the program. Further updates in HRU 2018 can be found on <http://hamradiouniversity.org/>.

With the business portion of this meeting concluding at 9PM, John showed the DVD on the DXpedition to Swains Island (KH8) DXpedition, N8S, back in April 2007. This multi-national DXpedition grossed over 117,000 QSOs.

The meeting then concluded at 9:30PM after all the scheduled business had finished. Since the Holiday Party will take place in lieu of a December meeting, the next meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2018. John wished the LIDXA a good holiday and hoped to see members earlier at the December dinner or at HRU 2018.

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Ed Whitman, K2MFY  
LIDXA Secretary