Sun City Center Amateur Radio Club General Membership Meeting February 3, 2021

Board of Directors:

President, Joel Bahl KQ0J Vice President, Rick Sochon N1OV Treasurer, Rick Indiano N2VSN Secretary, Judy Wozniak K4WOZ Program Director, Jim Key KI4TMX Emergency Coordinator, Rick Sochon N1OV Station Trustee, Bob Goldberg WA4M

Joel Bahl, President, called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. Joel thanked Mr. Richard Hillyer for stepping up, when the club needed a Treasurer, and for his 6 years of service on the Board. The Board approved Mr. Rick Indiano as the new Treasurer. Joel also thanked Mr. Bill Barron W1WAB for upgrading the SCCARC website. Joel reported on the addition of a SDR receiving station and a MFJ ARB 704 switching buffer to HF radio #2, which were donated by Mr. Mike Tinsley KK5W to the club. Joel also reported on the upgraded power supply for the TNC for the packet station.

Treasurer Report: Rick reported the Treasury Balance is \$5,562.00.

New Business: Mr. John Armstrong KN4CDM provided Emergency Planning and communication update pertaining to CERT. CERT is trying to ascertain the amount of interest in helping our community exists. Since this is an older community there are limits on how much we can do. There are about 30 ham operators on the CERT roster and CERT is in the process of polling them to see about their availability. Mr. Rick Sochon, our Emergency Coordinator, reminded everyone present to take the ICD courses. Rick stated that the first round of the COVID 19 virus shots was very successful. The second scheduled shot will be shifted by 2 days. If you are scheduled for your second shot you will receive a phone call as to the date. The DMR repeater is working well, but not heavily used. The DMR capable Dual FM Transceiver AnyTone 578 Pro III has been ordered. The Discone wideband antenna has been purchased to pair with the above radio. Current license exam study guides from the ARRL are in the clubs library. A work party for tower maintenance/repair needs to be scheduled. Please contact Joel if willing to help. The club is in need of a Program Director, weekly Net Control stations and backup Net control stations. A Social/ snacks volunteer will be needed when we can have them again. Mr. Mike Tinsley is the new Tuesday Monitor. Club shirts are not available due to the shop closing.

Program: Mr. Doug Gatchell K4DGG demonstrated how to use the Kings Point club website to monitor the local repeaters. Joel spoke on the capabilities of his Yaesu FT-818ND portable HF/VHF/UHF all mode Transceiver.

Thank you to the 15 members for attending this month's meeting. Meeting closed at 3:00 PM