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# Agenda

## Second Quarter Meeting 8:30 AM CST, Saturday, April 20, 2024 Mezzanine, 2024 Ararat Shrine Hambash 5100 Ararat Drive, Kansas City, MO 64129

- 1. Call to Order Randy Schulze, W0ICQ
- 2. Welcome to the 2024 Ararat Shrine Hambash!
- 3. Roll Call of Member Organizations with Representatives
- 4. A moment of silence in respect to Larry Staples W0AIB-SK

## 5. Secretary's Report (Charles Van Way)

- a. Minutes from the March 23, 2024 Meeting
- b. Any New Membership Applications to the Council
- c. Status of ARRL Foundation Grant Application

#### 6. Treasurer's Report (Jerry Chamberlain)

- a. Regular Report
- b. Approve Expenses
- c. Issue with IRS regarding our 501(c)(3) Status

## 7. Regular Committee Reports

- a. Activities Committee Keith Kaiser, Chair
- b. Recognition Committee Kristl Thompson, Chair
  - i. The Eagle Award will be presented at a meeting of the Radio Amateurs of Johnson County. Date to be determined.
- c. Issues Committee, Bill Gery, Chair
  - i. S.3690 Amateur Radio Emergency Preparedness Act

#### 8. Regular Business:

- a. 2025 ARRL Division Convention:
  - i. Discussion was made at the First Quarter Meeting on this topic. (See the Minutes for April 23, 2024 online.) Since that meeting, I have commitments from three organizations pledging their desire to support this effort. (I'd like to see more...)
  - Some research has been done which indicates a suitable venue in the Kansas City Metro would likely cost \$30K or more. A suge4stion was made by the Delegation from Warrensburg Area ARC that we might look to Sedalia SPARK.
  - iii. Randy Schulze spoke with ARRL MWD Director Art Zygielbaum to update him regarding our discussions, and the suggestion regarding Sedalia, home of the Missouri State Fair. After considering the location of Sedalia and other features, Art agreed, and asked if I might speak with Bret Kuhns, the President of SPARK. A request was made to the Director that it was brought up at the First Quarter Meeting that if the Convention is held within the Mo-Kan Region, it should be planned to re-occur in the region on a regular basis. Art agreed.
  - iv. I did speak with Bret Kuhns, and advised him of the high-level discussions thus far. Bret is excited about this opportunity and wants to start work to make this a success. Her has many good ideas!

### b. Presentation at the Amelia Earhart Hanger Museum, Atchison, KS

- i. The date has been firmed up as August 17, 2024
- ii. Steve Early has been doing special event station at the museum, and will coordinate the station demonstration.

#### c. KCMesh Project and Mo-Kan Support.

i. Report on the status of the KCMesh Project by Bill Gery

#### d. Mo-Kan Recruiting Efforts: (Randy Schulze)

i. On Going

## e. Ongoing Project Status:

## i. Ham 403 Training Events

1. Ham 403 – Intro to Mo-Kan Scheduled for 11:35 AM, Today in the Mezzanine.

#### f. Mo-Kan Elmer's Table

i. In progress today in the Breezeway, next to the ARRL Table.

## g. Eagle Award

- i. Awaiting the Selected Date from Johnson County Radio Amateurs.
- h. Request Approval to Purchase Larger Mo-Kan Banner for use at Hamfests, etc.
  - i. We have the new banner! See it at our Elmers Table!

- 9. Any New Business from the Floor?
  - a. Consideration that we should apply for a Club Call Sign
    - i. Pros and Cons
- 10. Next Regular / Quarterly Meeting:
  - i. Warrensburg Hamfest
- 11. Adjourn