

COLORADO QRP CLUB
Minutes
Regular Membership Meeting

March 9, 2019

Koelbel Library
(Arapahoe Libraries)
5995 South Holly Street, Centennial, CO 80121

Officers Present: Robb Sutter, KCØZGK, President; Jim Moravec NØCOT, Vice President; Dick Schneider ABØCD, Secretary; and Roger Wendell WBØJNR, Treasurer.

Attendance: 14

BI-MONTHLY MEETING - CONVENING

The bi-monthly meeting of the Colorado QRP Club was called to order by President Robb Sutter at 10:41 a.m. Attendees and club officers went around the room to introduce themselves.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Roger Wendell WBØJNR, Treasurer. Checking balance: \$ 1,088.00; Savings balance: \$ 1,483.15; Total balance: \$ 2,5171.15. Roger reported that the bank now requires a minimum checking balance of \$ 1,000 to get free checking. All banks are now doing this. A member asked how the club maintains its balance now that dues have been eliminated. Roger explained that we have done this by selling donated items at hamfests, accepting cash donations, and reducing expenses.

ACTION. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by acclamation to accept the Treasurer's Report.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Dick Schneider ABØCD, Secretary.

Dick said minutes from the November 2018, January 2019, and the March 2019 meetings would be available online, via the club website (www.coloradoqrpclub.org) and in The Lowdown (www.cqclowdown.org).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Foxhunt. Marshall Emm N1FN reported that there were five weeks left in the 80 meter and 40 meter winter HF foxhunts sponsored by CQC. He also provided a brief rundown on how the foxhunts work and encouraged participation for fun and building CW contesting and DXing skills. More information is at the foxhunt website (www.qrpfoxhunt.org).

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

Field Day. Jim Moravec NØCOT reported that restroom facilities would be available at his Star Haven Ranch near Strasburg, CO during ARRL Field Day 2019, thus saving the club the expense of renting a portapotty.

ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention 2020. Dick Schneider ABØCD, the club's representative on the Hamcon Colorado Inc. Convention planning committee, reported that the 2020 convention planning got underway in March. He said the tentative dates for the 2020 convention were Aug, 6-9, 2020, but subject to change. He said the initial plan was to hold the convention at a facility in one of the metro areas along the front range rather than at a resort as it has been in the past. The new model is expected to generate larger attendance and accommodate day-trippers more easily. Dick said he planned to coordinate the QRP track of technical forums for the 2020 convention. He also reported that CQC will provide \$250 in seed money as a part of its co-sponsorship of the convention; these funds are returned when the books are closed on the event, plus or minus a proportionate share of overages or losses. For the 2003, 2006, 2009, and 2013 conventions, CQC has received its seed money plus excess funds; in 2016, CQC shared in a slight loss, approximately \$75, when the seed money was returned. (NOTE: This is a report on the 2020 convention; the 2019 convention will be held Aug. 8-10, 2019, at Weber State University in Ogden, UT.)

Next Meeting. May 11, 2019. Location: Koelbel Library, 5955 S. Holly St, Centennial, CO 80121. ANNUAL ELECTIONS. PROGRAM: Annual Key Day – bring your favorite or unique CW keys.

BI-MONTHLY MEETING - ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, the meeting chairman entertained a motion to adjourn.

ACTION. A motion was made, seconded, and approved by acclamation to adjourn the bi-monthly meeting at 11:20 a.m.

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PRESENTATION

Marshall Emm N1FN - History of Telegraphy and Telegraphy Instruments

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Submitted by: Dick Schneider, ABØCD, CQC Secretary