

FARA February 26 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

FARA held a Board Meeting 2/26/22 via Zoom. The president, John Iwuc KB1VXY, chaired the meeting.

Summary

The primary topic was a discussion of possible speakers for the upcoming monthly meetings. We had committed speakers for March and April. During the meeting two attendees volunteered for the September and October meetings. We discussed candidate speakers for later meetings.

We also briefly discussed possible future in-person meetings. It was suggested that the May meeting date could be used for a get-together at a restaurant, possibly one with outdoor seating.

Committed Speakers

Edison Fong WB6IQN will give the March presentation. Edison is on the faculty of UC Santa Cruz and has considerable experience in antenna design.

Tom Frenaye K1KI, a past Director of the ARRL New England Division, will give the April presentation. Tom will likely include a discussion of the New England QSO Party.

Adrian Zeffert AB2IX will give the September presentation. The title is *Test Bench for Non-Technologist Hams*.

Ron Rothman WO1E will give the October presentation. The title is *Digital Contesting with FT4 and FT8*. Ron will hopefully be able to share his experience from the International Digital Contest in June.

Candidate Presentations for Subsequent Meetings

Steve Moro N1MH suggested that there might be interest in a presentation on WINLINK. John will reach out to possible speakers.

Another suggestion was an updated talk from Harland Doliner NE1HD, a club member, on amateur radio support for the Coast Guard auxiliarists.

We reviewed the ARRL Eastern Massachusetts and Western Massachusetts club speakers lists. The board expressed interest in several of the presentations including the following.

George Allison K1IG, *How to Precisely Calibrate Your Transceiver, Measure Frequencies Over the Air, and Participate in the Semi-Annual ARRL Frequency Measuring Test*

Terry Glagowski W1TR, *Backup Generator Installation*

Steve Russell WA1HUD, *New England Historical Radio Society*

Gregory L. Charvat N8ZRY, *Repair and Restoration of Antique Radio Equipment*

Terry Stader KA8SCP, *Emergency Communications in Eastern MA*

Mark Vess KB1ACF, *The Origins of Radio*

Larry Banks W1DYJ, *Antenna Modeling 101*

Jim Idelson K1IR, *Tower Safety*

Fred Kemmerer AB1OC, one of his many talks

Dennis Egan W1UE, one of his many talks

Aaron Addison KF1G, *Computer and Internet Security*

DX Engineering, *Contesting*

Paul Topolski W1SEX, *History of Heath Company or Test Equipment Series: Oscilloscopes*

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List of Attendees

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John Iwuc	KB1VXY	President
Ron Rothman	WO1E	Vice President
Sumner Weisman	W1VIV	Director
Steve Moro	N1MH	Treasurer
Andy Boughton	KC1DMM	Secretary
Adrian Zeffert	AB2IX	
Dave Miscia	KB1YXL	
Victor Anderson	K1VEA	