

Newport County Radio Club

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The Aug 14, 2018 NCRC meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by Paul K1YBE. There were 28 members present.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved by the membership.

Bob, WB4SON, presented the following member applicants who were approved for membership (total membership stands at 125):

• Ed Rodriguez, Moving to Newport, KK4X

Mike K1NPT reported on STEAM efforts including the upcoming Space Chat #3 the first week of October at Pell Elementary in Newport. The 2.4 & 5 GHz AREDN nodes in Portsmouth are scheduled to be installed this coming weekend. Mentors are requested for the ASA VHF contest in mid September and the School Club Roundup in mid October. UMass Dartmouth gave ASA several scopes and function generators.

Ted W1GRI gave the treasurer's report: Balance \$13,995, which includes a \$2K grant from IBM that was obtained by Mike. All members have paid their dues at this point.

Ted also described the upcoming Cycstic Fibrosis "Cycle For Life" bicycle event on September 15, 2018. The race begins in Westport MA, and completes in Little Compton RI. SAG vehicles and rest stop radio operators are still needed.

Paul (N1PSX) was unable to give his presentation on ARES due to the holiday, but we will try to reschedule.

Members were informed that the upcoming 2018/2019 Federal Budget has cut all funding for WWV/WWVB/WWVH and these stations will be going off the air.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM

Following the meeting, Jim KA1ZOU, although not with us physcally, did a narrated owerpoint presentation on the latest Island Activation (three islands near Cuttyhunk). In addition, Paul K1YBE, did a demonstration of a Kundt Tube (A visual device for showing standing waves, and the relationship between frequency and wavelength).

Resectifully Submiteed Bob WB4SON - Secretary