

# Trident Amateur Radio Club, Inc.

## Board Meeting Minutes

6/1/2026



Call to order: 1818

Adjourn: 1905

Location: Stones Throw Brewing

### **Members:**

President - Chris Benoit, KC4NW

Vice President - David Merritts, AE4ZR

Secretary - Brent Tatum, KO4KCR

QSL manager – Chris Benoit, KC4NW

POTA- David Merritts AE4ZR

By-law Committee - Chip Mack, WB4ZVR

Membership – Ron Davis, K4TCP

Treasurer/Fund Raising - Steve Anderjack, KO4AFL

Field Day- Steve Anderjack KO4AFL

Testing – Steve Anderjack, KO4AFL

Board Member at Large - Glenn Stephens, WA4NMW (absent)

Board Member at Large - Jim Wasson, KO4MNB

Field Day - Ron Davis, K4TCP

Programs – Reid Robinson, KR4CPL (absent)

**Treasurer:** \$6,977

**Membership:** 110

**Testing:** no testing due to early voting

**Programs:** June, Dorchester County EMD (Emergency Management Division). Chris asked Reid to coordinate July and Aug.

**QSL:** None to report

**Education Committee:** Steve Behr taking over duties due to Jim moving/stepping down. Steve getting with Ron to refresh kits for fall.

**POTA:** Second Sat in July. David wants to step down and no one identified as replacement yet.

**Museum Ships June 6:** David, no response from boatyard. If no response has decided park outside boat area.

**By-law Committee:** Chip sent out beginning review w/comments

**Trailer Maintenance:** Brakes need calibrated and battery balancer needs ordered. Bracing needs to be reinforced. Brent checking for June 20th to use neighbors auto shop.

**Summer Field Day June 27-28:** Would Ron like co-chair/co-planner. Activity or build to have along with it? Jim doing short class and demo on standing wave ratio, course 2pm-5pm.

St. Johns Episcobal Church confirmed location

Sign up lists: Operate, logging, set up, take down, food sign up, kitchen and room clean up

Food: Club buying Costco chicken (Brent designated pick up) and food sign up in advance for bringing a dish

Activity or Program: Drew with satellites, Chris going to ask if interested. Backup plan ideas - how to tune antenna, what's a reasonable SWR, go backpack for HAM radio.

Sign up sheet for radios, logging, food, take down, set up will be brought to May meeting.

### **Old Business:**

- Auto renew brought up by Brent as possible option for members with annual dues. Does Square offer the ability to offer and then members can select when they go to pay next time? Ron going to look into.
- Fox Hunt, have 8 signed up to date. Chris gave Goose Creek for location, specifically Wendys near Lowes on St. James. May 16th 10am. Steve will need to order Baofengs for prizes

### **New Business:**

- QSO Party June 20-21. Not ARRL officially sanctioned event. South Jersey clubs are coordinating it. Club sent out email with info if club members want to participate. Due to one week before Summer Field Day club will not be facilitating.
- Name badges used to be offered to members. First badge provided, replacement at cost. Cost has risen to be cost prohibitive using original vendor. Ron making paper laminated and Chris using acrylic engraving machine he just ordered providing badges at cost.

### **General Information:**

- N4EE: Maintain N4EE for Special Events and Field Day. David Merritts AE4ZR is the custodian and uploads into QRZ.
- N4HLH: Use for Hunley Events. Ron K4TCP is the custodian and uploads into QRZ.
- W4ANK: Repeater Call Sign for club events. Rick N8BKN is custodian.
- Testing: POC: Testing is scheduled at 6:30pm the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wed of every month at the Hanahan Public Library, 1216 Old Murry Ct., Hanahan, SC 29410. Pre-register for the exam session at <https://hamstudy.org/sessions/glaarg>

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Brent Tatum K04KCR  
Secretary