

Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station

Minutes of the Steering Committee Meeting of March 19, 2001

- ✓ The meeting was conducted at the Camden County Communications Center in Lindenwold, NJ. There were 17 Steering Committee members present. Copies of the minutes of the meeting of February 19, 2001 were distributed.
- ✓ The meeting was called to order at 7:15 PM. Peter Greene reported that between April 16 to 20, at the former Philadelphia Navy Yard, there will be an opening of selected inactive naval vessels for personnel of museum ships to obtain needed equipment. He further requested that a list of needed equipment for the New Jersey be prepared for that event.
- ✓ A motion to approve the Constitution of the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (BNJARS) dated 19 March 2001 was made, seconded and passed unanimously.
- ✓ Upon approval of the BNJARS Constitution, election of officers was conducted according to Article IV of the Constitution. Results of the elections were:

President – Peter Greene, N2LVI

Vice President – Joseph Cramer, N2XYZ, who declined following his election.

Ruben Kafenbaum, WA2NBL, was subsequently elected VP

Secretary – John Goheen, KB2ADL

Treasurer – Louis Priestly, N2HQL

Chief Engineer – David Burgess, WA2TVS

Station License Trustee (NJ2BB) – Joseph Duffin, W2ORA

Public Affairs Officer – Joseph Cramer, N2XYZ

Board of Directors (3):

Peter Butler, WB2B

Harry Bryant, AA2WN

Eugene Holben, N2WFN

The Secretary cast one vote to certify the election as unanimous.

The Officers and Board of Directors will serve a term of two years.

- ✓ A motion to approve the Bylaws of the Battleship New Jersey Amateur Radio Station (BNJARS) dated 19 March 2001 was made, seconded and passed unanimously.
- ✓ Interior Voice Communications System (IVCS) status – Repair of five of the six power amplifiers is complete. One of the six power amplifiers is beyond recovery and will most likely be used as a source of usable parts. Repair is progressing quite well. All of the diodes in the relay matrix in the Control and Alarm Panel have been replaced. The "standby" (University 100W amplifier) 1MC located in the DC office continues in operation. The IVCS manual and drawings are in the process of being copied. Work has begun on repair of the other IVCS components, 21MC, etc. Work on the 1JV sound powered phone system is complete.

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- ✓ Station Configuration – The following equipment was donated by Rosemary Decker, KB2CIK on behalf of and as a memorial to her late husband, Thomas Decker, WB2OZI, SK: CDE Antenna Rotor, Model MN-4 Matching Network, Heathkit SB-634, Kenwood TS-420S with power supply and speaker, Kenwood TN-2550A, Heathkit Electronic Keyer, Model PT Preamplifier and Drake Microphone.
- ✓ Dave Burgess, WA2TVS suggested setting up a shore net host. An e-mail listing for BNJARS members will be established and managed by Margaret Burgess, KB2BRR. Pete Greene, N2LVI, suggested using the BB62 web site.
- ✓ The equipment list is posted on the BB62 web site. Also, it was reported that deckhouse 1 will require considerable corrosion control.
- ✓ BNJARS is planning an event for the ship's christening anniversary Saturday, May 26, and a Museum Ship special event for July 21-22. A letter will be sent to the Home Port Alliance (HPA) requesting the dates. Computer donations were offered to BNJARS by Bill Bacon, KE2XC. Peter Butler, WB2B, suggested BNJARS apply for a domain name. There will be a 2-meter station up for the planned ship move.
- ✓ The meeting was adjourned at 9:30PM.
- ✓ The next meeting is a general meeting tentatively scheduled for 9 April 2001 onboard the *New Jersey*.

Respectfully submitted by the Secretary, John Goheen, KB2ADL.