



## TCDXA MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2018

Pub 42 Restaurant

New Hope, MN

### CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by president Bill Mitchell, AEØEE.

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### ATTENDANCE:

There were 36 members in attendance.

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### TREASURER'S REPORT:

The report for April is attached.

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### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

DX Donations – No upcoming DXpedition donation requests

Ralph, KØIR, has provided a note about the Bouvet DXpedition. The statement is attached.

The TCDXA had a table at the Brainerd Hamfest April 7<sup>th</sup>. We are trying to increase our recruitment efforts at hamfests. Next up is the Arrowhead RAC hamfest in Superior, WI on May 5<sup>th</sup>. If you can help with the club table please contact [Bill, AEØEE](#), for information.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with the layout of the Gray Line newsletter. If you are interested please contact [Dan, WØJMP](#), or [Al, KØAD](#).

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### OLD BUSINESS:

None.

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### NEW BUSINESS:

None.

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### DRAWING:

\$142 was collected for the drawing and four winners received \$20 each: KFØQR, AEØEE, KØJM, and WØJMP. The balance of \$62 went to the club treasury to fund the holiday party.

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PROGRAM:

Greg Widen, KØGW, presented “DX Myths”. A discussion of the perceived barriers the new DXer faces.

Our presenter next month will speak about the HamSci Solar Eclipse QSO Party results, and encourages any Dayton attendees to stop by the HamSci booth.

Nathaniel A. Frissell, W2NAF, Ph.D.  
Assistant Research Professor  
Center for Solar-Terrestrial Research  
New Jersey Institute of Technology

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ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Pat Cain, KØPC

TCDXA Secretary/Treasurer

**TOP LINE SUMMARY**

**TCDXA OPERATING BUDGET FY 2018  
(Sep 2017 - Aug 2018)**

**April 16, 2018**



INCOME			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	Actual 2017
Surplus from FY 2017 (balance 8/31/2017)	2689.68		5200.20
Member Dues 2018 by Cash/Checks/PayPal	4578.52	4500.00	4649.36
Door Prize Ticket Sales club share	547.00	500.00	602.00
Donatons (estates, wills, etc.)	0.00		
Refunds and Reversals	0.00		5.79
<b>TOTAL INCOME</b>	<b>7815.20</b>	<b>5000.00</b>	<b>10457.35</b>
EXPENSES			
		BUDGET	Actual 2017
Member Recruitment/Retention	0.00	(300.00)	0.00
Website ISP & Domain Name	(65.69)	(70.00)	(65.88)
Office Supplies, Miscellaneous expenses	(23.57)	(150.00)	(87.96)
Flowers <SK> and Hospital gifts	0.00	(200.00)	0.00
Holiday Party 2017	(528.64)	(500.00)	(433.15)
ARRL Spectrum Defense Fund	0.00	(100.00)	(100.00)
NCDXF Donation	0.00	(250.00)	(250.00)
MWA Plaque	(75.00)	(75.00)	(75.00)
<b>DXpedition Contributions Total</b>	<b>(4,002.51)</b>	<b>(3000.00)</b>	<b>(6755.68)</b>
#1 Dxpediton - VK9MA Mellish Reef	(500.00)		
#2 Dxpediton - 3B7 St. Brandon	(500.00)		
#3 DXpedition - 3C0L Anonbon	(251.26)		
#4 Dxpediton - KH1 Baker Island	(2,000.00)		
#5 Dxpediton - 6O6O Somalia	(251.25)		
#6 Dxpediton - VP6D Ducie Island	(500.00)		
#7 Dxpediton -	0.00		
#8 Dxpediton	0.00		
#9 Dxpediton	0.00		
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>(4695.41)</b>	<b>(4645.00)</b>	<b>(7767.67)</b>
NET			
	3119.79	355.00	
Checking balance	3119.79		
PayPal balance	0.00		
Cash / Checks on Hand	0.00		
<b>NET BALANCE</b>	<b>3119.79</b>		
When required, Wells Fargo & PayPal online statements can provide detail not shown in this report.			

I would like to personally thank the TCDXA members for the support they offered the Bouvet Island DXpedition. As you, and we, are painfully aware, we were not able to land on the island.

A combination of weather, mechanical failures on the ship, and human elements all collided and made it impossible to land on Bouvet and conduct the DXpedition. We limped back to an alternate port of Cape Town, South Africa for ship repairs and to fly our team members home after 31 long days at sea. A second attempt at Bouvet by our group is far from being assured. Should it occur, it should be re-vetted on its own merits.

The TCDXA was among the most generous of our sponsors. You are certainly entitled to and encouraged to discuss how any residual of the TCDXA contribution should be handled. Feel free to ask me any questions you may have.

Thank you again for your support.

Ralph Fedor - KØIR