

# **NPARC HYBRID ANNUAL MEETING – Nov 24, 2025 (Revised)**

Salt Brook School Cafeteria, New Providence, NJ

AI Minutes edited by K2AL-Secretary NPARC

Zoom Coordinator: K2UI

Attendees: K2AL K2DAM KD2EKN W2EMC W2EWQ KE2FKE K2GLS KC2HLA KD2ONY  
KC2OSR K2OT K2PER W2PTP K2UI KC2WUF K2YG

Via Zoom: K2ESH AC2GL W2IOC W2OKB WB2QOQ N2TO

## **Quick recap**

The amateur radio club held elections for 2026 officers and discussed various club activities and upcoming events. The club reviewed its financial status and discussed plans for Winter Field Day in January, including arrangements for equipment and logistics. The conversation ended with discussions about future programs and a potential donation to Saltbrook School, along with planning for the next auction scheduled for February.

## **Next steps**

- K2AL: [Call Norma Cohen tomorrow if no response received about Holiday Luncheon invitation](#)
- K2YG: [Cancellations for Holiday Luncheon by Tuesday of next week is cut-of for refunds](#)
- K2AL: [Reserve room at SBS for Winter Field Day on January 24th if there's interest](#)
- K2AL: [Reach out to Rebecca Mercuri K3RPM about the MORE program for youth engagement](#)
- KC2OSR : [Start assigning tasks for auction planning](#)
- K2AL: [Start serious auction planning by first meeting in January at latest](#)
- [Executive Committee: Consider donation amount to Saltbrook School or school district](#)
- K2AL: [Note Richard's KE2FKE new Amateur Extra upgrade on the roster](#)

## **Summary**

### **Amateur Radio Club Officer Elections**

The Annual Meeting of NPARC was held, with elections for the 2026 officers. Brian W2EMC volunteered to continue as Vice President, Al K2AL for Secretary, Dave K2YG for Treasurer. Sam KC2OSR was nominated for Activities Manager. AC2GL nominated K2AL for President. Both accepted the nominations. The club constitution requires a quorum of 16 voting-eligible members, which was achieved during the meeting.

## **Club Officer Elections and Youth Engagement**

The club held elections for officers, with K2AL elected as President, W2EMC as Vice President, K2AL as Secretary, K2YG as Treasurer, and Sam KC2OSR as Activities Manager. K2AL noted that while the slate was uncontested, they followed Robert's Rules of Order to conduct a vote by unanimous consent. After the elections, K2AL expressed a desire to bring in fresh ideas, KC2OSR to engage inactive members, and increase youth engagement in the club with KD2ONY suggesting they reach out to the MORE (Make Operating Radio Easier) program that has experience with licensing young hams. MORE is *“an initiative to reduce both gender and age imbalances in Amateur (Ham) Radio, through education and hands-on activities.”*

## **Holiday Luncheon and Club Updates**

W2PTP announced that Richard, KE2FKE, recently upgraded to Amateur Extra and he was congratulated by the club. K2AL reminded everyone about the upcoming Holiday Luncheon and Awards on December 6th at the Village Tavern in Gillette, where Dave K2YG is still accepting reservations. K2AL also mentioned inviting Norma Cohen (XYL of K2JV Barry (SK)) as a guest and encouraged others to suggest XYLs of silent keys for invitations. The next meeting on December 8th will feature Ed W2EWQ discussing his ham radio experiences, and it will be a hybrid meeting with no regular meeting on the second Monday due to the Christmas holiday.

## **Winter Field Day Planning**

The club discussed organizing Winter Field Day on January 24th, starting at 1600 UTC (11 AM local time). K2AL proposed bringing the new club radios, the FT710, and suggested inviting high school STEM students and teachers to participate, rather than making it an open public event. The group agreed to set up multiple antennas, including K2DAM's loop antenna and K2UI's OCFD, and also use FT8 as one mode along with SSB and CW with N3FJP Logging. They decided to reserve a room for the event, with a \$400 cost including janitor fees, and agreed to provide pizza and soda.

## **Treasurer's Report and Club Auction Future Presentations**

K2YG gave the Treasurer's Report for FY25, which ended on July 31<sup>st</sup>. The club has approximately \$11,007 in its bank account. The 2025 auction generated \$2,489 in net profit, with \$1,693 coming from club items and estate donations. The club discussed making a donation to Saltbrook School, which K2AL will consider with the Executive Committee. KC2OSR was tasked with starting auction planning, with the auction scheduled for February 28th. The club also discussed potential programs for future meetings, including topics like the history of the Vibroplex Key and EMS operations.

A motion to adjourn the Annual Meeting was made by K2DAM and seconded by KD2ONY and the meeting was closed by K2AL, President, at 8:30PM.