Shore Points Amateur Radio Club
Minutes of the meeting held July 17, 2014
at the Brigantine Community Center

The meeting commenced at 7:34 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance. Nine voting members, one associate member and one lifetime member were present.

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on June 19, 2014, were read by the club secretary, David Holmes. After several corrections were made, Gary Paul motioned to accept the minutes, Fred Twist seconded and the vote passed unanimously.

Club Treasurer, Bob Webb then read the financial report for June. There was a complete accounting for all of the club's financial assets in the amount of $515.86 in cash. Dave motioned to accept the report, Jim Tyndall seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The floor was then opened to old business. The general consensus was that field day went well. A short time was spent reminiscing about our recent field day experience. Bob's use of battery power was noted and it was suggested that an expanded use of battery and solar power for next year would be a viable and even preferable alternative to the constant use of generators that should be seriously considered. It was also noted that a considerable amount of food was left over.

The floor was then opened to new business. David suggested that a good use of the leftover food would be to hold a SPARC Picnic. A date of July 27, 2014 at 1:00 PM with a rain date of August 3, 2014 was chosen pending a decision being made as to a suitable location.

Dave brought up a point concerning the filing of IRS Form 990-N and after a brief discussion it was determined that the listing of corporate officers would need to be updated and Rick agreed to do this at his earliest convenience.

Discussion was held concerning a review and revision of the SPARC Constitution and By-Laws and Rick said that he would check for the date this was last done formally.

Gary gave a demonstration of the YAESU *SystemFusion* which he has been beta testing. Gary demonstrated how the YAESU *SystemFusion* Dual Mode system can operate in analog mode or in one of three digital modes on the same frequency. One of the digital modes splits the 12.5 kHz band width in half allowing the digital voice signal to be transmitted in one half of the band width channel while simultaneously using the other half of the band width channel for error correction of the voice signal and other data.

At 8:30 P.M. Dave motioned to conclude the meeting, Marv Tyndall seconded and the motion carried. Immediately following the meeting a 50/50 drawing was held. Art Holmes drew the winning ticket which was held by Jim and the club netted $19.00.