

# 2026-02-10 Net Minutes

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20:00

closed

20:29

## Check-ins (27)

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- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Gabriel Rodriguez (AI5TN)
- Ken Wilson (KE5DFR)
- Brian Gaskamp (N5WCT)
- Avery McIntosh (N7ALM)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Larry Shiver (KJ5KFU)
- Patrick Zapalac (KJ5ATR)
- Joe Napoli (KG5SDF)
- Matt Robinson (W5XMR)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Kevin Walton (N4RMF)
- Don Ling (WB5CK0)
- Troyce Wilson (KC5CBI)
- John Graesser (KC5DWD)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- Ron Estes (KJ5EF0)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Roseanne Cunningham (KC5FGG)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- Michael Bobinski (N5NYL)
- Mike Mertes (KZ5M)
- Russ McDonald (KL2PB)
- Nathan Wood (KN4TTV)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Pierre Catala (WA1UAT)

# Officer Reports

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## President

*David Bailey (K5DKB)*

- Within two weeks of our next [monthly club meeting](#)
- 2026-02-21 09:30
- American Legion Post 159, 101 Waco St, Bryan [[Google Maps](#)]
- Will need to discuss alternate plans for our May meeting
  - American Legion Post 159 will not be available
  - Please come with ideas for alternate times and/or places.
- I'll be presenting afterwards about [TinyGS](#) ("Tiny Ground Station")
  - "A way to track satellites from the comfort of your home."

## Vice-President

*Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)*

- Got in a bit late: grandson playing basketball
  - They did well and won! (*Congrats!*)

## Secretary

*Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)*

- Minutes will be sent out after the net.
- Valentine's Day this weekend: I hope you're able to spend time with the people you love!

## Treasurer

*Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)*

- 61 members
- Bank balance: \$13,343.10
- Next [License Exam](#) after our next meeting
  - 2026-02-21 11:00
  - Already have people expressing interest from as far away as Austin (ours is the closest!)
  - Will need Volunteer Examiners to help proctor
- Look forward to seeing you at the meeting
- Happy Valentine's Day!

# Announcements / Comments

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Question #262 for conversation: *What are your sources of good amateur radio information? (announcements, rules, ideas, podcasts, books, etc.)*

*(If interested in submitting a weekly question, email [n5zkf@arrl.net](mailto:n5zkf@arrl.net))*

## Phil Gates (N5ZKF)

- I look at a lot of sources
  - Groups on social media (have to wade through some nonsense)
  - Some specialty books
    - ARRL handbook
    - ARRL Antenna handbook
  - Video podcasts
    - Amateur Logic
    - Ham Nation

## Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- General ham-radio-adjacent things:
  - Science and Technology news feeds; occasional amateur radio articles
  - Various weather (space and atmospheric) and propagation trackers

## David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Topic research on YouTube, including some regular channels
  - Ham Radio Crash Course
  - Save it for Parts

## Closing Remarks

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- Visit us online at [w5bcs.radio](http://w5bcs.radio).