

Four States Amateur Radio Club



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Meeting Minutes

Date:

January 21, 2014

Time:

6:00 PM

Place:

Able Communications Office

Board Members Present:

David Jackson- KE5ZHF

President

Danny Freeman- KE5THI

Vice President

David Teague- N5GTE

Treasurer

Carl Nyman- AA5VE

Secretary

Clarence Shilling WB5BYV Trustee/Director

Jason Spivey N5YEV

Director

Bert Phillips (KA5VLQ) opened the meeting with a prayer and led the membership in the pledge to the flag.

Treasurer David Teague (N5GTE) reported a bank balance of \$2593.42 with no outstanding debt. The FSARC received \$332 in dues and paid out \$300 for 146.62 repeater tower lease on 1/14/14.

Board Meeting Discussion

Hamfest:

Jason Spivey (N5YEV) gave a report on the FSARC Hamfest status. FSARC is currently waiting on a new contract from Four States Fairgrounds. The date for the Hamfest is "locked in" with the Four States Fairgrounds and there is no threat of losing that date to another event.

David Jackson (KE5ZHF) requested that we ensure that an EMT or security is not required for the Hamfest. Jason Spivey was confident that an EMT or security was not required for the Hamfest, but would confirm this with Four States Fairgrounds Director, Jimmy Curtis.

The FSARC needs to provide Copy of Insurance (COI) to the Fours States Fairgrounds. A COI request will be sent to the insurance company in the very near future. David Jackson asked if a hamfest is covered under FSARC insurance policy. Jason Spivey said that it was reviewed last year and FSARC insurance will cover events such as a hamfest.

A FSARC Hamfest meeting was held after the Board meeting.

Run The Line:

David Jackson asked for an update on future events. Clarence Shilling (WB5BYV) provided a Run The Line update for the board members. Run The Line would like for the FSARC to provide two person teams to monitor key points of the race and provide communications back to the main control center. Key points would include minor street intersections and may require someone to help control traffic at the intersections. The race will be on Sunday morning, February 16, 2014.

An organizational meeting for Run The Line will be held one week before the race.

Technician Class:

Clarence Shilling gave an update on the upcoming Technician class. The class is scheduled for March 4, 2014. There will be six weeks of classes, five weeks of instructions and the last week students will be tested.

Steve Rogers (AF5JR) has secured a classroom at the Nash Fire Station.

Clarence is looking for instructors for the course and he also requested the board members submit candidates interested in taking the course.

Leary Fire Department (LFD), Fire Chief has requested that someone from the FSARC speak to his department about ham radio and the upcoming Technician class. The Board recommended that Steve Rogers make the presentation to the LFD (maybe include Jason Spivey and Anita Nettle (KF5VAS) in the presentation). Jason Spivey said the contact person between FSARC and LFD should be Lane Peoples. A potential meeting/presentation date is February 5, 2014.

Other Discussion:

The Board briefly discussed upcoming events. Clarence Shilling suggested the Club establish committees for the upcoming events. No motion was made to establish committees.

Field Day was discussed. One comment made was that FSARC needs to determine a location for Field Day. Past Field Days were held at Camp Preston Hunt and FSARC was allowed to use the Camp because we had a member in the Boy Scouts. The Club no longer has a Boy Scout member and may lose their access to Camp Preston Hunt. Several sites suggestions were made (Wright Patman, Spring Lake Park, the Park next to Four States Fair Ground) and there was a brief discussion. No motions were made concerning Field Day.

Election for Directors will be held at the next FSARC meeting. Bob Bailey (N5ITN) and Malcolm Bussey (N5GKV) have been nominated the two open Director positions.

Motion was made to close the meeting due to the scheduled FSARC Hamfest meeting. Motion was seconded and the meeting ended at 6:40 PM.

Submitted by:

Carl Nyman (AA5VE) Secretary - Four States Amateur Radio Club