



Four States Amateur Radio Club

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March 7, 2015

9:30 A.M.

Wadley Regional Medical Center – Cafeteria

Members Present: 31 Guest: 6

President Steve Rogers called the meeting to order (9:30 A.M.)

Brother Jim Hickey led the opening prayer and led the pledge to the flag.

Steve Rogers requested a motion to suspend the rules. Motion was made by Charolette Nyman and seconded by Greg English. Lt. Steven Carrah, head of the local chapter of the Salvation Army, gave a presentation how amateur radio communications was vital to the Salvation Army Team Emergency Radio Network. Additional information about SATERN is available on the web. <http://www.satern.org>

Secretary Richard Hopkins gave a summary of the minutes of the last executive meeting that was held on Feb. 24, 2015. David Teague made a motion to accept the minutes and it was seconded by Larue Shilling. The motion passed.

David Teague presented the Treasurer’s Report.

Current Balance on hand - - - - - \$7,351.15

David stated we now had 52 paid memberships. A motion was made by Larue Shilling and seconded by Robert Ward to accept the treasurer’s report.

Vice President David Glenn gave updates on committee reports.

Skywarn Classes

Arthur Christy covered the upcoming Skywarn classes that will be at the Nash Fire Department on March 14, 2015. Basic class starts at 9:00 A.M. with the advanced class starting at 10:45 A.M. All are urged to attend this seminar. Bill Parker from Shreveport will teach the class. Parking will be in front of the fire department and across the street at the union hall.

Technician Classes

The Technician classes are underway and there is a total of 18 students. 19 club members were present to assist in any capacity.

Red Cross Alarm Canvass

Red Cross Alarm Canvass Event is on March 21, 2015. Our roll will be to assist in communications back to the central headquarters and coordinate movement.

Ark-La-Tex Challenge Race

Event is scheduled for April 11, 2015. As of now David stated he had 11 volunteers to assist. David said he needed some additional people to help with this event.

Scout-O-Rama

As of now this event is covered. Clarence Shilling, Carl Nyman and David Teague will setup and operate a station or stations.

Ham-fest

David Glenn reported that it was progressing and that there would be a short committee meeting following our business meeting. Clarence Shilling brought up that the website needed to be updated and some movement on a mail out needed to be addressed. It was noted that the question pool was outdated and needed some work.

Food Committee – Ham-fest

Larue Shilling pointed out she did not have enough people to cover this important aspect of the Ham-fest. Presently she has 4 committed but she indicated she needed 16 people to complete this task.

Arkansas Children's Hospital

Burt Phillips made a motion to send the hospital a check for \$100.00 as a donation from our club. The motion was seconded by Greg English and it passed.

Bylaws Vote

Larue Shillings motion was brought to the floor and seconded by David Teague to bring the new bylaws to a vote. The bylaws motion stipulated the new bylaws would begin on April 1, 2015. This motion passed without objection.

Bob Tallant has offered the use of Central Christian Church fellowship hall for future meetings. It was discussed but will be brought up probably at our next regular meeting.

New Business

Carl Nyman showed us his new ½ watt QRP rig. Along with a handy vfo to update some of the older equipment known to have drifting issues.

A motion was made by Jason Spivey and seconded by David Teague to allow Arthur Christy and Clarence Shilling to purchase a second banner. This motion carried by a majority vote.

No further business a motion to adjourn was made by Robert Bailey and seconded by Larue Shilling.

Compiled by

Richard Hopkins
Secretary