

Four States Amateur Radio Club  
March 2019 Minutes

President Charles Conkey (KG5MVX) open the club meeting for March 2019

Robert Ward (N5TXK) did the opening prayer and pledge for the club.

Secretary Robert Ward (N5TXK) read the minutes from the past month. The minutes were approved by a motion from David Teague (N5GTE) and seconded by Greg English (KG5BOC). Passed by members.

Treasure report that the club has \$11,480.77 in both accounts with \$ 740.26 outstanding checks. Tower rental, telephone bill, and check for Ham Class poster will be coming out. Greg English made a motion to accept and David Teague second and the membership approved. David Glenn the treasurer discussed Amazon smile which has \$16.48 in it. He encouraged club members to sign up. Stated the Technician Book is also available for the Amazon smile.

Club Announcements:

Steve Rogers brought to the attention of the club that the Nash Fire Department Auxiliary Building has been reserved for the club and is read with the projector and all accessories. Field Day the pavilion has been reserved for Sunday, the second day, also.

Clarence Shilling spoke up and stated that the poster for the Technician class were present and to take one and put it up somewhere.

New Business:

Clarence Shilling brought up that the Scout-O-Rama was coming up on April 27, 2019. Just for information if the club wanted to do this or not we were invited by letter. President Conkey added his points to the Scout-O-Rama and other members in the discussion.

Clarence Shilling also talked about the Trail Life Troop that some of the members went to and presented amateur radio to the boys.

The Scout-O-Rama was brought up for a vote to the membership where Ronny Rumsey made the motion to attend and Greg English second. The membership passed the motion by an approved vote.

Discussion for accessories for presentation to the public about the Amateur Radio.

President Conkey brought up that the ArkLaTex Challenge was coming up on April 6<sup>th</sup>. He ask if there was any one who would like to coordinate . Richard Author would be the one but has a Hamfest that he is going to. The repeater will be set up by Richard Author prior to the challenge. The crossband is on 445.950 on the repeater. Members are ask to email Clarence Schilling if you want to the event.

Repeater:

Author Christy discussed having someone to climb the repeater tower. Different climber were given to him. Most climbers are associated with cell phone companies. The climber he talked to would cost the club \$ 3 – 5K. Further climbers are being looked for. Weather is coming in this weekend. D-Star working good. Authur did testing in different geographic areas around and it did well with R2D2 happening. Discussed the length of cable between the radio and antenna.

Old Business:

Regular Business:

Steve Rogers brought up testing for hams that pass their test would give the operator a free year membership to the club. Clarence made the motion and Greg English second and the membership passed to give the free membership to the person passing the technician class test.

New Business:

Arkansas Children Hospital was brought up to give \$100 to the hospital. Author Christy made the motion and Steve Rogers second and membership passed.

Door Prizes

MFJ Speaker – Charles Conkey

Flash Light Led – Clarence Schilling

Volt Meter Set – David Glenn

Meeting closed with Greg English making motion and Clarence Schilling second the motion. Membership approved the closing of the club.