4 States Amateur Radio meeting

March 4, 2023.

President Eric Richards called the meeting to order and began with prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

Everyone then introduced themselves.

Secretary, Adam read the minutes from the previous meeting. Doug moved to accept the reading, Evan Seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

Treasurer David presented the financial report. He stated 15,053.39 in checking and \$100 in the paypal account. He reported he has filed the FSARC 2022 Tax form 990N. He reported 65 dues paying members. Motion to accept by Robert Ward, seconded by Greg English. Motion passed by voice vote.

Trustee Arthur reported all repeaters were working fine.

President Eric presented a battery box project he'd been working on. Conversation then turned to POTA and the Jonquil Festival at Washington State Park in a few weeks time.

Doug and Mike shared some info about ARES and the need for more volunteers to step up and get/be prepared to serve in emergency situations. They mentioned the Miller County ARES training net on 147.285 on Monday nights at 8pm. In particular, there is concern with an eclipse coming in 2024 that will attract potentially 100s of thousands of people to the Texarkana area, which could lead to over loading of wireless systems. The Miller County Office of Emergency Management will be looking for help to manage different issues in that event.

Steve mentioned there will be no ArkLaTex Challenge which the club has helped with in the past.

Matt Fisk reported that Dave KI6ZAP had come out to his Saturday meetings at his store to talk to the group about HAM radio, and as a result, seven members of that group are now pursuing their technician license.

Report was made that the New Boston repeater was up and running, and several members offered their thanks to all involved in making that happen.

Clarence mentioned Charles Mackey, most recent previous president of 4SARC, entering home hospice and his condition was deteriorating quickly. Some personal stories were shared about him and his contraptions he used in HAM radio.

Karen brought up the HAMtailgateswapfest event on April 29 at Sportsmans Cove at Lake Wright Patman.

Greg English moved to ajourn, David seconded, motion passed by voice vote.

- 1. Evan KI7DZP
- 2. Steve AF5JR
- 3. Tyson KI5TYS
- 4. Ann KC5CSO
- 5. Monroe KK5NF
- 6. Richard N5RGA
- 7. Carl AA5VE
- 8. David KF5VAE
- 9. Arthur KF5VWN
- 10.Adam WW5AH
- **11.JB N5THS**
- 12.Greg KI5NHZ
- 13.Eric KI5BZO
- 14. Mike N5LQV
- 15. Doug KF5WXF
- 16.Clarence

WB5BYV

- 17. Richard W5TXK
- 18. Ronnie KA5LEK
- 19.Greg KG5BOC
- 20. Robert N5TXK
- 21. David KB5MIQ
- 22.Julia KF7YNZ
- 23.Kent K1ENT
- 24. Gary N5HOG
- 25. Kane K5DKS
- 26. Kasey
- 27. Dan KG5PNN
- 28. Karen KM5A
- 29. Matt K5NTT
- 30. Matt Fisk
- 31. Bryan WX5CSS
- 32.Terry KG5UYI
- 33.Buddy N5LUC