

4SARC meeting, Oct 7, 2023.

Vice President Greg KI5NHZ called the meeting to order, and JW, KE5CQB volunteered to open the meeting with prayer. The pledge of allegiance and a round of introductions of attendees followed.

Secretary Adam WW5AH presented the minutes from the September meeting, and the minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer David, KF5VAE presented the treasurers report of \$14,782.77 combined from both checking and paypal accounts. Report was approved unanimously.

Vice President moved into committee reports. He reported the Solar Eclipse event committee has received no interest, so that committee would be dissolved. However, the Miller County ARES group would continue to offer it's services so there was still opportunity to be involved in that event.

VP announced a class regarding the eclipse in Hope, AR on Oct 10, 2023.

He briefly discussed the Hams Helping Hams effort which would happen again at the December club meeting.

VP talked about the club Christmas party at Silver Star restaurant on Dec 11, 2023. Canned goods will be collected and donated to a shelter. There will also be a gift exchange game at the party.

Club Trustee Arthur, KF5VWN reported Dstar was up and running after an Internet Service provider change. He reported much faster speeds.

Bryan WX5CSS mentioned some statistics that Skywarn had put out regarding the eclipse on April 8, 2024.

Karen KM5A talked briefly about the GMRS repeater situation. There is talk about putting it up temporarily on the 62 tower. We are waiting on someone else to vacate a better location so the GMRS repeater can be installed there.

JB N5THS brought up a problem with the Sunday night nets due to connectivity between repeaters and the net would be discontinued until the problem is corrected.

Ronnie KA5LEK talked about a meeting he attended in Paris concerning the eclipse. Paris is almost in the center of the path of the eclipse so there will probably be a bigger influx of people in Paris compared to Texarkana. Evan followed up with his experience of a 2017 eclipse in Montana.

Roger KB5ROD announced the Atlanta club Christmas party at Peir 27 on Dec 16 at 6pm, and said it had been decided that Alcohol and pills/medication were discouraged as gifts for the gift exchange.

Plans for bell ringing for the Salvation Army were discussed and would be followed up before the next meeting.

VP took volunteers for an election committee to serve after the November meeting to hold the club elections. Karen KM5A volunteered to chair, and David KB5MIQ, Richard W5TXK, Kyle KD5UTP also volunteered.

Motion to adjourn was made and passed unanimously.