



Mid State Amateur Radio Club
Johnson County, IN

M E E T I N G M I N U T E S - A P R I L 1 5 , 2 0 0 6

Present:

Tom Achors, KB9RBB
Steve Carmean, K9DY
Ernest Clark, KB9SKI
Scott Coombs, KC9EKR

Present

Dave Daily, KB9LOT
Brenda Haler, KC9EBL
Linda Harshbarger, KC9GCH
Bob LaGrange, N9SIU

Present

Matt Payne, KB9UJE
Jim Smith, WV9W
Dave Wendt, KA9OOH

Call to Order:

Scott Coombs, KC9EKR, called the April meeting to order. The sign-in sheet listed 11 attending. He led the group in prayer and in repeating the Pledge of Allegiance.

President's Report:

There was no President report this month.

Vice President's Report:

There was no VP report this month.

Secretary's Report:

Linda Harshbarger, KC9GCH distributed copies of the March meeting minutes. The minutes were approved as submitted. She also distributed copies of the Spark Gap newsletter.

Treasurer's Report:

Brenda Haler, KC9EBL, reported \$1011.27 in the club account. Activities in the month included deposits totaling \$10. The Kerchunker fund is at \$583.75 and there is \$65.50 in petty cash. Ending balance is \$1076.77. There were no expenditures in the past month.

Repeater Trustee's Report:

Matt Payne, KB9UJE, reported that the link is ready to go once the crystals have been dropped in.

ARES Report:

Bob LaGrange, N9SIU, reported that Ernest Clark had done an excellent job being net control for the SKYWARN severe weather net and had reported the number of stations reporting. Brenda Haler has been our liaison with the National Weather Service and everyone agreed that her voice really stood out amongst the other amateurs reporting in. Her contribution is greatly appreciated. Bob is putting together a training class in damage assessment. Watch the Spark Gap for more information.

RACES Report:

There was no RACES report this month.

Volunteer Examiner Coordinator (VEC) Report:

Dave Wendt, KA9OOH, reported that the team had 20 applicants at the Columbus Hamfest with 18 passing tests. Of these 16 passed their technician class tests while the remaining 2 were upgrades. Good work by the VEC team!



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Activities Report:

Jack Parker was not here. However Scott reported that he was working with the Civil Air Patrol and hoped to have them here for a presentation at the May meeting.

Historian Report:

There was no historian report this month.

Old Business:

Technician Class

Ernest reported that there are still people showing up for class including two kids. One person has already taken the exam and passed.

State of Indiana Registered Contact Agent

Ernest reported that he is still listed as our Registered Contact Agent with the state and this will have to be changed. Brenda will take care of this.

Luke – Antenna Help

Luke Lanham still needs help in getting some antennas erected at his home. Right now the area is too wet. Scott Coombs will coordinate the help once the ground is dry enough so contact Scott if you can help out.

New Business:

Scott is looking for other areas to put up a link. Sites at Trafalgar, Johnson County Park, Morgantown and Bargersville are being investigated. Scott & Matt will set a date to talk to Tug Sutton about the Sheriff's Tower.

Scott is looking into serious fundraising, obtaining donations and grants for the club. We want to further our educational offerings and bring in more members.

Kerchunker Fund:

The Kerchunker fund was won by Dave Daily who donated it back to the Treasury. Thanks, Dave!

Meeting Adjourned:

Dave Wendt moved for the meeting to be adjourned and Ernest Clark seconded.

Next Meeting: May 20, 2005; 8 a.m.; Franklin, Indiana

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Harshbarger

Linda Harshbarger, Secretary