



**Mid State Amateur Radio Club
Johnson County, IN**

M E E T I N G M I N U T E S - F E B R U A R Y 1 8 , 2 0 0 6

Present:

Tom Achors, KB9RBB
Steve Carmean, K9DY
Ernest Clark, KB9SKI
Scott Coombs, KC9EKR
David Craig, N9QVO
Dave Daily, KB9LOT
Bonnie Halcomb, W9BXP
Brenda Haler, KC9EBL

Present

Linda Harshbarger, KC9GCH
Stephen Ivins, Sr., KC9FXR
Bob LaGrange, N9SIU
Carol Osborne, KC9CFK
JR Osborne, KB9HSE
Jack Parker, W8ISH
Matt Payne, KB9UJE
Timothy Roberson, W9TAR

Present

Joe Rogers, KF9LQ
Jim Smith, WV9W
Dave Wendt, KA9OOH

Call to Order:

Scott Coombs, KC9EKR called the February meeting to order. The sign-in sheet listed 19 attending. Scott offered a prayer and then the club recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

President's Report:

Scott has talked to Chuck and picked up his bike. He is usually on the 525 repeater during the day so please take time to talk to him.

Secretary's Report:

Linda reported on the number of people who have completed their IS-700 training. She will be copying certificates to give to Tug Sutton in April. Some study guides were turned back in and then quickly checked out again. Linda passed out copies of the January minutes, the most recent Supper Club schedule and the February newsletter. Also available were several news items regarding amateur radio usage during disasters. Linda also had information about the upcoming Columbus Hamfest.

Treasurer's Report:

Brenda reported \$821.00 in the checking account but she also has a deposit to make. There is \$65 in petty cash. Brenda will have a full report at the next meeting. It was noted that it is customary to perform an annual audit of the books. Ernest Clark, Bob LaGrange, Steve Brown and Steve Carmean volunteered to attend to this task for the club.

Trustee's Report:

Matt reported that the link is stalled. The DVR has resurrected itself and Matt didn't have to reload anything. It is hoped that the link will be ready for setup by April

ARES Report:

Skywarn training is next Wednesday, February 22, 2006 at the club meeting location. Anyone wishing to attend should let Tug Sutton know. It is recommended that all club members participating in SKYWARN attend this training every other year at a minimum. Also if you attend the training, please let Bob LaGrange know.

VEC Report:

Dave reported that MARC will have testers at the Columbus Hamfest in March.

Activities Report:

Jack reported that the Civil Air Patrol may be here next month. He is working to confirm this. On July 15 & 16, Indiana will sponsor the Hoosier 200 Bike Race from Evansville to Bloomington. Anyone who can volunteer for a 5 to 6 hour shift should contact Jack.



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Historian Report:

Paul was not here but it was reported that he has downloaded more pictures on the website.

Old Business:

All club members are asked to update their information by filling out an application and an ARES form.

ADRT – Animal Disaster Response Team will meet on March 22nd at 7:00 PM at the club meeting location. ADRT will be participating in the scheduled Johnson County disaster drill in April.

New Business:

Chuck Francis, KB9KDJ has a Ringo Ranger antenna to give away. He is moving to the Masonic Home and will no longer need it. He is hoping to rejoin the club and begin attending meetings once he gets moved.

Unofficial fund raising – In order to keep our tax status in good standing we need to look into raising funds for flowers for deceased members. It was motioned and seconded that we take up donations and keep the money locked in the radio room until needed. Motion was carried.

Matt moved we purchase “Are You Talking” Technician books from the ARRL to donate to the classroom. The motion was seconded by Joe Rogers. Motion was carried to purchase 10 books at the bulk rate of \$15 per book for a total of \$150.00.

Brenda reported that the Toledo Hamfest will take place on Sunday 3/19/06 and she has a flyer with more information on those interested in attending.

Ernest Clark reported on the recent CERT classes. Individuals are trained as the first person on the spot to a disaster. Ernest shared his backpack full of response gear he received upon completion of the class. Tug Sutton hopes to hold another class this year.

It was reported that Luke Lanham, KB9WIH needs some antennas installed so we will schedule an antenna party when the weather is better.

Meeting Adjourned:

Carol Osborne, moved for the meeting to be adjourned and Tom Achors, seconded.

Next Meeting:

March 18, 2006; 8 a.m.; Franklin, Indiana

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Harshbarger

Linda Harshbarger, Secretary