

Minutes for the 5/12/2015 SARA Meeting

The meeting was held at Baker College room 1632
9 members and no guests.

The meeting was called to order at 1900 EDT

Motion by Tom Kurtz, seconded by Chuck DaFoe that, commencing with this meeting, Secretary's minutes will be posted online and in the meeting room and not read during the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion regarding the fact that time on the W8QQQ yahoo group shows that the meetings start at 8:00 PM

Secretary's minutes were approved by common consent.

No Treasurer's report

Don stated that Bil Blick has donated a tub full of coax. Don also stated that connecting a short antenna to the HF radio in the new radio room revealed that the RF environment in the room seems to be very quiet. Discussion was held regarding setting up antennas, but no date was set. Discussion was held regarding setting up a VHF club station.

Discussion was held regarding the club address as posted on the FCC license site, the QRZ site, and on the ARRL web site. Also discussed was that the fact that our club license expires in November of 2015.

Discussion was held regarding removing the tower at the Red Cross building. One individual with access to a bucket truck indicated that he was not interested. Al Langdon N8DVH has stated that he is willing to do the climbing. Don is checking on the availability of a Gin Pole.

Kevin Middleton KF5MYQ and Dennis Shubitowski NS8H operated the Michigan QSO party on April 18th. They report that 80 and 40 meters was quite active, and they made about 150 contacts.

Discussion was held regarding getting all of the MESH nodes together and making sure everyone's equipment work together.

Discussion was held regarding planned setup for field day. The planned setup will include having the trailers/RVs clustered together in the middle with the antennas around the outside to maximize antenna separation. Discussion was held regarding using the MESH and laptops for logging.

Discussion was held regarding whether the club should purchase a headset and footswitch for the Yaesu FT1000. No decision was made.

Discussion was held regarding reloading the OS on the club computers and establishing a network and Internet access.

Motion to adjourn by Tom Kurtz, seconded by Chuck Dafoe. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2004 EDT

Respectfully Submitted
Philip Bates
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