



WARRENSBURG AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC.



GENERAL MEETING MINUTES – FEBRUARY 14, 2015

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 by Cary (KB0HV)
Welcome and Introductions, 17 members, 2 guests

Secretaries Report - Joyce, (W0JAF) submitted her report online and to the assembled membership. A motion to accept her minutes was seconded and approved.

Treasurer's report – Jim (KD0USX) submitted the financial report to the assembled membership. A motion to accept his report was seconded and approved.

I. **ARES** – Ares meeting on Feb. 15th at 5 p.m.

II. **Emergency Management Report:**

Healthcare Net on February 18th at 10 a.m.

March Severe Weather Spotter Training at UCM on March 19th at 7 p.m.

Repeater Committee Report:

- a. Larry (W9XE) reports that we need to buy coax and some other things to get the repeaters working correctly and he and others are working hard on the project.
- b. Larry (W9XE) reports that he has bought another of the Yaesu repeaters with his own money to help provide high tech equipment for the club's future projects.
- c. It was reported that a new heater was installed by Ken (KO9R) in the 6m repeater building after the digital heater had an issue with resetting at highest setting causing an increase in the electricity used. Problem should be solved.

III. **Website Committee Report:**

Cary (KB0HV) has produced an online calendar which can be used by accessing <http://www.localcalendar.com/public/KB0HV>

IV. **WW1USA Report-** Clay reports that they still need operators for the 2015 events.

V. **Upcoming Club Events:**

1. Boy Scout Merit Badge University at Sky haven Airport, April 10-12. Volunteers needed.
2. WAARCI Hamfest – July 18
 - a. Discussion as to getting advertising going, making a clear sit and chat area and food supplies. We also discussed whether we should change any prices and the need to get the flyers produced and ready to hand out soon. We also discussed the need to get our listing on the ARRL website ASAP
 - b. **Ken (KO9R) requested and received a check for 75.00 to pay deposit on Fairgrounds.**
 - c. **Doug offered to donate money (up to \$200) to offset the cost of the food for Hamfest.**
 - d. **Cary (KB0HV) said that he will be approaching Egglund for a donation of the eggs.**
3. **Randy (KD0UPY) discussed an event happening for Camp Valor which is a veterans organization. There will be a "Patriot Ride" on May 16th. They have requested assistance from the club with communication along the route. Several club members volunteered to help and Randy (KD0UPY) will have more information at the March meeting.**

- VII. Public Information Officer Report:**
- a. New Community desk editor at newspaper, working on establishing relationship.
 - b. KC group is looking to have monthly regional club meetings, response from WAARCI sent to group. Discussion raised concerns about need for our involvement and issues with distance. More information will be forthcoming if needed.
- VIII. Fund Raising Committee Report:** A great deal of discussion was had concerning the possibility of club members being able to take out personal loans to cover cost of the Holden Tower to be repaid by the club. Jack (K0BI) will research details and report next month on findings. Keith (WE0G) suggested that anyone planning to donate to the Holden Tower Site fund please contact Cary (KB0HV) with details. This will help to clarify how much money will need to be raised to secure property. Cary (KB0HV) presented a method that would allow club to purchase property using dues and Hamfest profits along with loans from club members in the form of promissory notes. There will be further discussion at the next meeting.
- IX. Old Business:**
- a. We are still looking into the possibility of skyping or teleconferencing to our meetings.
 - b. Looking into putting out a donation bucket at all club activities for contributions toward the Holden Tower power bill.
- X. Contest Coordinator's Report :**
- a. Kids day dates needed
 - b. MO QSO contest on April 4th and 5th.
- XI. Training Committee Report:**
- a. Next Technician Class Date – March 21st and 28th
- XII. 2015 Committees**
- Cary (KB0HV) announced the formation of various committees for this next year. A lot of what we do in 2015 will depend on people volunteering in any of these positions. Please be kind to our vice president who is automatically a member of each of these committees and volunteer for something that interests you.
- WAARCI Young Hams and mentors – Rick, LindaZ
 - Repeater – Larry, Jack, Ken, Rick, KeithH, Cary, Randy, Robert
 - Website/Facebook – Rick, Larry, Cary, Keith
 - Audit / 501c3 compliance-Rick
 - Grants and Charities – Rick, Randy, Cary, Jim
 - Hamfest – Rick, Ken, Liela, Carl, Cary, Joyce
 - Field Day - Rick
 - Fox Hunt -Rick
 - Training – Cary, Rick
 - Event Planning - Rick
 - Library - Rick
 - New Member welcoming committee – Samuel, Rick
 - bylaws and constitutional review committee – Rick, Cary, LindaZ, Larry, JimD
 - Tower site planning – Rick, Ken, Larry, Keith,
 - Contesting – Keith, Cary, Rick
 - Patriot Run- Randy , Rick
- XIII. New Business:**
- a. Board meeting has moved again to the last Friday of every month, at 6:30pm
 - b. A motion was made to accept Larry's policy format as the way to create new policies. Seconded and approved by a show of hands.
 - c. Jim (KU0G) proposed a by-law modification to form a 5th Executive Board position to prevent any possible ties in votes by the board, and proposed that this new position be called a Board Member at-

large. This created a lot of conversation and it was agreed that this should be tabled for further discussion at the next General meeting.

XIV. Tabled Items

- a. Club Membership process review
- b. Drawing for WAARCI Club Attendance — discontinued until further notice
- c. We still need to create a club library list and some sort of check out system. Checked out books are still on a paper list system, I am working on something better and web based so everyone can see where are books are at any time.
- d. There was some discussion that a sign should be placed at the cemetery mentioning who maintains the site, and encouraging donations to the county managed trust fund. No motion was made to procure such a sign and the discussion was dropped. Those wishing to contribute to the trust fund should contact Carol Chappelle or Heather Reynolds at the county commissioner's office.
- e. Ken and Cary are still planning to fix the front porch at the Awaken Church
- f. Board voted to table remote receive project until Holden Tower project financing has been accomplished, making that our #1 priority for 2015

XV. Announcements:

- a. **Gary (WA0BTM) is recovering at Providence Hospital in KCK. Card has been sent.**
- b. **Plaques were given to Rick (KB0VZP) and Walter (KE0CLH) for becoming lifetime members.**

XVI. Club Drawings:

- a. **50/50 pot was won by Grant (KD0WWI) and donated to the club. Total collected was 30.00**

XVII. Net Signups:

WAARCI Net: Sunday Nights on 146.880 at 0830 pm

1. February 15th: Cary -KB0HV
2. February 22nd: Ken -K09R
3. March 1st: Randy -KB0UPY
4. March 8th: Rick -KB0VZP

XVIII. Adjourn: A motion was made, seconded and approved to adjourn at 11:40 am.

Next Board Meeting – Friday, *February 27th, 2015*

Next Club Meeting – Saturday, March 14th at **9:00am**

Meeting adjourned at: 11:40 am.

Online WAARCI Club Calendar!

Share your public events! Send friends to: <http://www.localendar.com/public/KB0HV>

Respectfully submitted by WOJAF, Secretary WAARCI