



WARRENSBURG AREA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB INC.



GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES – February 13, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 9:10 by Cary (KBØHV)

Welcome and Introductions, 19 members, 3 guests. Cary noted that congratulations to the WAARCI was offered on Larry's list from several organizations to include Ray town radio club and the MoKan Counsel. Gary (WA0BTM) inserted information regarding WW1 USA station. Conversation continued regarding location of the event and future events.

- I. **Secretaries Report** - Cary, submitted Keith (NØVJ) on line and is now is submitted to the assembled membership. A motion to accept the minutes was made by Ken (KO9R) and seconded by Robert (KE0AVT) and approved by the membership 15-1. With Jack (K0BI) being the only apposing vote.
- II. **Treasurer's report** for January was submitted by Rick (KB0VZP) with no discussion or questions, Gary Made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Jim (K0ITL).
- III. **Treasurer's report** for February was submitted with a brief explanation by Rick and a request for member to remember to pay their dues. Annual Audit to follow the meeting. It was reported that the bank signature card was updated. Motion to accept the February report by Gary and seconded by Robert.
- IV. **Activity Committee** Katie (W0KTE) confirmed that the ABC building was reserved for the 2016 WAARCI Christmas party. (Thank you) Joyce (W0JAF) made a general request that there would be a need for help with decorating, set up and clean up. Larry (W9XE) suggested a party itinerary to help keep within party time limits. Club members continued with random thoughts and ideas to be considered by the activity committee.
- V. **ARES:**
 - A. Rick listed several weather spotters classes that have been done this year and several that will be coming up in the near future. No specific dates, times or locations noted. There will be no classes this year for Johnson county, MO. But there will be one next year. Time and date TBA. Francis (KC0TFR) interjected that Wyandotte County is having training next Tuesday night. No time to location was noted but Gary explained the process used to gain admission to the class room.
- VI. **Emergency Management Report:**
 - A. Cary reported that Yesterday the nation was under a Department of Defense (DOD) Crisis test

scenario simulating an EMP attack. It was reported that the WAARCI repeater would be available to run on battery power with the back up plan to use 146.880 simplex if the

- B. Cary was also appointed as the Missouri PIO for MARS

VII. Repeater Committee;

- A. Repeater continues to operate at the Holden tower site, Ken said they are making sure that the repeater is operating and compliant to emergency control standards. Larry is getting another controller set up for use. 220 and 6 meter repeaters are on line and Larry is troubleshooting the automatic message playback to enhance messages on the repeater.
- B. Ken said we need to get together as a club and discuss different plans of how to increase the 88 repeater foot print. To include echo link and linking.
- C. Cary said he would talk to Charter to shore up our relationship and maybe gain some internet access for echo link.

VIII. Website Committee Report:

No new Updates,

VIII. Upcoming Club Events:

- A. UCM boy Scout Merit Badge university to be held at Skyhaven April 9th (Saturday) and 10th (Sunday) There were several members that volunteered (you know who you are so be there) There is still room for more help so If you had not signed up yet contact Cary.
- B. Lee's Cemetery clean up April after the meeting. Bring gloves and tools. Any questions ask Cary or Rick.
- C. The Patriot Run on May 14th this year Starting at 0900, Need volunteers. The run is on the same day as the club meeting. There was a discussion of what to do to include having a pot luck dinner meeting after the Patriot Run. Jim states that the EMA office should be available for an evening meeting. Robert made a motion to have a club Potluck meeting at 1700 on the 14th at the EMA office. The motion was seconded by Francis. And carried by popular vote.

IX. Public Information Officer:

- A. Story about the WAARCI was printed in the Knob Noster paper and an article was submitted to the Kansas City Star. It was suggested by Cary to approach one new person a month to increase interest and new members in amateur radio.

X. Fund Raising Committee Report:

- A. We need to start thinking of what to do regarding fund raising. Larry said it would be nice to add it to the club flyer for the Shriner's HamBash next month.
- B. It was decided that hiring out Rick and Ken for tower climbing would not work due to Rick and Ken's work schedule.

XI. Resurrected From the Weeds:

- A. There was a discussion about giving free club memberships to people who attended WAARCI VE sessions and received their new Radio license. Katie motioned that anyone who tests with the WAARCI VE team and receives a new license will be given a free membership for the remainder of the year. Jack seconded the motion The motion was carried by popular vote

B. We still need to pay our deposit for the Fairgrounds to secure the dates for the WAARCI HamFest.

XII. Contest Coordinator's Report:

A. This position is currently open

XIII. Training Committee Report: No Training Classes Scheduled at this time

XIV. 2015 Committees

WAARCI Young Hams and mentors – Rick, LindaZ
Repeater – Larry, Jack, Ken, Rick, Cary, Randy, Robert
Website/Facebook – Rick, Larry, Cary
Audit / 501c3 compliance-Rick,Jim
Grants, Charities and Fund Raising – Rick, Randy, Cary, Jim, Gloria, Sheri
Hamfest – Rick, Ken, Liela, Carl, Cary, Joyce, KeithR
Field Day – Rick
Fox Hunt –Rick
Training – Cary, Rick
Event Planning – Rick
Library – Rick,Jim
New Member welcoming committee – Samuel, Rick
Bylaws and Constitutional review committee – Rick, Cary, LindaZ, Larry, JimD
Tower site planning – Rick, Ken, Larry
Contesting – Cary, Rick
Patriot Run- Randy , Rick

XV. New Business:

1. Topics of the Weeds: Pretty much stayed out of the weeds this week.

XVI. Club Drawings and Donations:

- A. 50/50 pot was won by Doug (N4RZB). Total collected was \$53.00, and \$26.50 won by Doug.
- B. Operating Expenses Donation Bucket, passed around at the meeting, received \$48.00 that was added to the general operating fund.
- C. The Club members celebrated a Donation of Microwave radio equipment that was donated by Dale (K9PON) Ken went to Boonsville to receive the equipment.
- D. There was a discussion how we need to develop a donation letter, for tax purposes, to give to folks that make donations to the club. More to follow.

XVII. Net Sign-ups:

- A. WAARCI Net Sunday Nights on 146.880 at 8:30 p.m.
 - 1. February 14th: Ken
 - 2. February 21st: Rick
 - 3. February 28th: Cary
 - 4. March 6th: Randy

XVIII. Adjourn:

- A. A motion was made to adjourn by Frances (KC0TFR), seconded by Sherry (KDOCAT) and all approved to adjourn at 10:40 am.

Next Club Meeting – Saturday, March 12th at 9:00 a.m..

Respectfully submitted by Keith Raihala, NOVJ, Secretary NWO.