

MARCI Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Sep 15, 2009

The meeting was call to order at 7:00 p.m. by the president Ed Skalecki, NI4MX.

Those present constituted a quorum:

Ed Skalecki, NI4MX, President
Jonelle Nabergail, KI4WSN, Vice President
Frank Morton, AC4MK, Treasurer
Roger Byron, KR4WS, Secretary
Jerry Johnson AE4XW, Director
Jim Woodson, KE4INM, Director
(Absent Bruce Theroux, KJ4IFH, Director)

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as published on the club Web pages.

Treasurers Report:

AC4MK gave an interim report treasures report showing a total balance of \$4640.74 and it was filed for audit.

Membership:

Jerry Johnson reported the membership list is posted on the Google web page. We now have 71 members, one of which lives in the Venice area.

Education:

The next VE testing will be 3rd Saturday in September, the 19th, 9:00 a.m. at the Red Cross. Following the test session ARES will hold a brief SET, Simulated Emergency Test. Those in ARES bring your handheld, we'll have fun.

Technician License Class had three students in July. The Sarasota Power Squadron is requesting a class for the month of December. That is a full month so negotiations for January or February 2010 are ongoing. There was mention of church groups in the area wanting a class. When Ed gets more information we can generate a class. Ed mentioned need for an Extra Class. Should a class be set up it will be at least six weeks in length. December meeting will consist of a dinner meeting. Some suggestions where: Firkin's and Fox (on Route 64 just West of the Braden River), Oyster Bar, and Golden Coral. Ed will check to see about the particulars. Old Business included programs for the next few months.

Roger will present a homebrew antenna event for the October meeting. The intent is to provide lengths of 300 ohm TV lead wire with a length of coax to demonstrate how to form it into a functioning two band J-Pole antenna. Hands on attempts with coaching would follow and a session of fine tuning would conclude the event. Good at soldiering is not required but helps.

Nov. and Dec. are still open. It is hoped others might suggest possible speaker/ presenters.

No new business.

Club logo was modified a bit by Jim Woodson to show a realistic rendition of a Manatee, an improvement over the previous logo. It met unanimous approval. The updated logo will be displayed at the next meeting.

There was a question regarding broadcasting. Should we desire to announce events on our repeater they must deal directly with amateur radio and not be intended for the public. FCC rule 97.113(c)

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Roger Byron, KR4WS, Secretary