

Minutes, July 2013

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Regular Meeting

July 19, 2013

The regular July meeting of the Quad-County Amateur Radio Club was called to order at 7:30pm, Friday, July 19, 2013 by President W3TM in the Hiller Building on the Penn State DuBois Campus. Following the salute to the Flag, the members observed a moment of silence in remembrance of silent keys. A round of introductions followed

Attendance: 10 members were in attendance: W3TM, W3BC, KB3LES, KC3AOV, N3HAO, KA3FHV, W3DWR, AB3OG, KB3KTE and KB3KTD.

Secretary

The Minutes of the Regular June meeting were read by Secretary W3BC. On a motion by **KB3LES**, seconded by **W3DWR** the June minutes were **approved** as read.

Correspondence: Norm Fusaro at ARRL HQ informed us that our Special Service Club renewal sent to the WPA Section management for approval.

On a motion by **KA3FHV**, seconded by **KC3AOV**, the Secretary's report was **accepted**.

Treasurer

W3DWR reported that following routine bill payments the Club treasury balance stands at \$297.15. On a motion by **KB3KTE**, second by **AB3OG**, the Treasurer's report was **approved** as read.

Treasurer W3DWR reported that paid membership continues at 43, with 23 ARRL members reported.

Committee Reports

Activity Coordinator K3WBT reported that upcoming events include the Car Show on August 10, and the Boy Scouts Jamboree On The Air in October. W3BC reported that Ed Golla K3AHS has once again invited the Club to have a fall picnic at his Dad's (WA3GMT) QTH. It was moved by **W3BC** and seconded by **W3DWR** to confirm with Ed that the Club will hold the Picnic when he is in town in September. Motion **carried**.

Education & Training Coordinator W3BC reported fall classes are proposed for upgrades in Clearfield and new licensees in Reynoldsville. Dates to be announced.

Nets ? The Hamshack Net has moved back to the 147.315 repeater..

Programs ? August program will be about Contesting, and guest speakers are tentatively lined up for future meetings.

Repeater ? **KB3LES** reported that the KG4ZXC repeater in Chestnut Grove has improved coverage with a new antenna. Programming for his 70 cm repeater is continuing.

Old Business

Field Day summary was presented by W3BC.

Power Line noise in Falls Creek: Direction-finding team will meet at 11:00 am, Saturday, July 27th to locate the sources.

New Business

Moved by **W3BC**, seconded by **KA3FHV** to contact our Red Cross Liaison KB3WKD to see if he wishes to continue in that capacity. Motion **Carried**.

Moved by **KB3LES**, seconded by **AB3OG** that the Club pay for all picnic expenses. Motion **Carried**.

The members present discussed the plans for 2014 Field Day. It was pointed out that the PA Trappers Association would once again be the primary users of the Clearfield Fairgrounds that weekend. The pros and cons of holding Field Day at Ed Golla's location alternate years were discussed. Moved by **W3DWR** and seconded by **KA3FHV** to look into the possibility and report back at the October meeting. Motion **Carried**.

Good of the Order

A member asked a question regarding recent Emergency Communication activities during the floods in DuBois and other communities. W3BC replied that since electrical power to the hilltop Public Safety communications facilities was not disrupted, Amateur Radio was not contacted for assistance.

On a motion by **AB3OG**, seconded by **W3TM**, the meeting was **adjourned** at 8:15 followed by a review of Field Day activities.