

The Enid Amateur Radio Club (EARC)
Minutes of October 2009 meeting (Approved)

The Enid Amateur Radio Club met Thursday evening, October 15, 2009, at the American Red Cross Building, Enid, OK.

Attendance: Mike:KD5OFF, Richard:K6GLA, Ron:WD5HUT, Tim:KD5KTB, Al:KD5BA, Bill:K5ECI, David:KC5SII, James Wallace, Greg:KD5MFY, Jess:KA5HYK, Katherine:KF5BYN, Dave:AD8B, Bryan:KF5BYO and Christina:KF5CJZ with Emily and Liam

Jess:KA5HYK called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

We welcomed James Wallace as a visitor. James is preparing for his license test.

M/S/C to accept the minutes of the September 2009 meeting as published.

No treasurer's report this month. A check was written to the ECF committee for recent equipment purchases from allocated funds.

No correspondence to report this month.

Dave:KC5SII reported on the upcoming ECF committee activities for October 17, a Boy Scout Radio merit badge class and the Jamboree on the Air. The group will meet at 5:30 AM at the McDonalds on Maine and VanBuren for breakfast. At 6:00 they will head to Sundance Scout Camp about three miles south and three miles east of Waukomis. Class will start at 8:30 with an introduction by Dave:KC5SII. Lessons will be presented in three 45-minute modules by Dave:AD8B, Bill:K5ECI, and Tim:KD5KTB. In addition stations, will be set up to allow the scouts to participate in JOTA activities before and after classes. The group plans to complete activities by 3:00 PM. Other interested hams are welcome to come and assist. Bring food and something to drink for the day as well as a camera to help document the activity. Ten scouts are currently confirmed and we may have as many as fifteen sign up for the class depending on the weather and troops' schedules. Both the ARES and ECF Go-Kits will be used. In addition, Tim:KD5KTB will bring his Go-Kit.

Bill:K5ECI reported on recent equipment purchases by the ECF committee. Approximately \$1100 of the \$2000 available funds has been spent on an Icom IC-718, power supply, ATU, Pac-12 antenna, coax, and equipment box. Still in the works is a morse code demonstration/training station for Leonardo's.

Al:KD5BA gave an update on the Red Dirt Barbecue. Eagle Marketing has asked the club to help with the traffic flow for parking in the immediate area from 8:00 AM to 6:00 PM. Approximately six volunteers would be needed to cover the requested area. If there are fireworks we would be needed until 9:00 PM. It is questionable if this is an appropriate public service activity for Amateur Radio. We discussed the possibility of offering our communication skills using FRS radios. Lynne Bekendorf will attend our November meeting to provide more information.

Al:KD5BA suggested the new Board of Directors hold their November meeting after the main drawing at the November 7 Enid Hamfest. The club agreed.

Greg:KD5MFY will be at the Hoover Building at the Fairgrounds around 6:00 PM on Friday, November 6, to set up the club table for the hamfest on Saturday. Donated

items are needed for the table with proceeds going to the club. Individual tables are available for \$2. He also reported the club received \$15 for the scrap aluminum in the old club antennas.

Tim:KD5KTB reported on arrangements for the club Christmas Dinner. A reservation has been made at the Golden Corral for Saturday, December 5, starting at 6:00 PM. The club will have a private room and the meal will be buffet style. Cost will be around \$10 per person. A brief December club meeting will be conducted during the gathering. The new Board of Directors member and new officers will be installed at that time.

The the following candidates for club office for the year 2010 were presented by the nominating committee at the September meeting:

President - Mike Cofer, KD5OFF

Vice President - Dan Plank, KE5PQY

Treasurer - Bill Keck, K5ECI

Secretary - Dave VonDielingen, AD8B

Director (2010 through 2014) - Greg Veit:KD5MFY

There were no additional nominations from the floor.

M/S/C to accept by acclamation the candidates presented by nominating committee.

M/S/C to adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Dave:AD8B, club secretary.