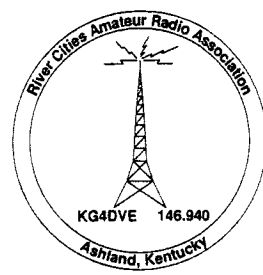




Minutes River Cities Amateur Radio Association October 7, 2008



Members Present: Matt Tinker, AA4XA (President); Roger Castle, K4QYK; Dan Huffman, K4VTA; Tim Wright, KD4OVM; Mark Riggs, KD5KMR (Secretary); Sheila Easterling, KG4BBD; John Easterling, KG4IVM; Scott Jacobs, KI4GSF (Vice President); Frank Certian, KI4WAZ; David Vest Sr., KZ4G; Cameron Smith, W1RVC Ray Mecca, W4RVM; Bob McLaughlin, WB8UYA;

The meeting was called to order at 7:26 pm by Matt AA4XA .

The meeting started with the pledge of allegiance.

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Announcements

1. Our club placed 2nd in the Section website competition and 4th in the newsletter competition. A certificate was presented to Dave Vest Jr. K8DV.
2. A Certificate was presented to Rodger Castle for serving as VP.
3. Capt Ellis from the Salvation Army will sign a MOU with the club.
4. Every 2nd Saturday will be a Ham Breakfast at a local restaurant.

Secretary Report

The minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Treasurers Report

The club had a balance of \$387.16 on September 30, 2008.

Old Business

1. Committees
 - (a) Education Committee. Sheila KG4BBD reported that Technician and General classes will be canceled. November 8th will be the next testing.
 - (b) Repeater Committee. There was a discussion about the noise on the repeater. Matt AA4XA will contact Chuck and get an estimate on checking the repeater and check with Lawrence County Ohio on possible interference.
 - (c) Activities Committee. Frank KI4WAZ will be chairman of activities. The Christmas dinner will be at the Golden Coral December 2nd 5:30 pm. We have a room reserved. Members are to bring a small gift for exchange.

- (d) Finance. Dan K4VTA presented proposals for financial viability. Ray W4RVM complimented the quality of the report and talked about the importance of working with new and beginning hams. Matt AA4XA will look into the tax-exempt status.

Frank KI4WAZ moved and Ray W4RVM seconded a club raffle of a digital camera at the Christmas meeting. The motion passed.

Ray W4RVM moved and Frank KI4WAZ seconded the compilation of an invitation package by the education VE committee. The motion passed.

Roger K4QYK moved and Frank KI4WAZ seconded offering a life membership 10 times annual dues with a 25% discount for those age 65 and over. The motion passed.

New Business

1. Matt AA4XA reported that the Fire Station will not allow meetings after 5:00 pm or on weekends starting January 1st 2008. The Salvation Army offered their 2122 Carter Avenue facility as a meeting place. Ray W4RVM moved and Dan K4VTA seconded we accept the new location.
2. Matt AA4XA turned the gavel over to Scott KI4GSF and Matt AA4XA acting as assistant section manager informed the club that Scotty Thompson contacted the State EM and requested RACES be taken from the RCARA.

Dave KZ4G moved that the RCARA and Boyd/Greenup EC send a letter to Scotty Thompson notifying him that he is no longer representing the RCARA or the Boyd/Greenup ARES/RACES and that he has ten days to respond to the EC. Tim KD4OVM seconded. Motion passed.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 pm.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, November 4th, 7:30 pm at the Ashland Fire Department Meeting Room, 11th Street and Carter Avenue.