Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club

Meeting Minutes - January 8, 2005

Attendance

Members (11): Gary Elliott, WA6KCP J. Waite, WA6EZJ Vern Orme, AA6YE R. M. Secondari, K6TR Dick Bezman, KG6SXM Vicki Cero, KF6ZCT Phil Dunlap, K6PHD David Jackson, KC6SSF Alan Cradddock, WB6DXZ Captain Nolan

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Past-President Gary Elliott.

• Dick Bezman, (recently promoted to junior engineer for the ROV) was nominated for the open club President position. By voice vote was elected by the members present.

• Meeting Minutes were reviewed for December and approved (with the correction of Jim Waite's call sign).

• Introductions were done all-around.

• Club is still working on getting a third call sign - K6ROV is available. Dick will check on W6ROV availability.

• ROV is scheduled to be moved by Feb 1, in order to meet the requirements of the title company(?), it maybe moved right back or not. "Foss Tug" will be moving the ship for free. The ship's transformer will be brought aboard. The handheld radios donated to the ship still need at least one battery pack. Also, we need to determine what license class they fall under for maritime use. The generator is being repaired to allow operation of the deck equipment. The foot of Canal will be the ROVs new home - berth 6A. The new location is being used by Caltrans contractor for the bridge work and has very poor access and parking.

• It is recommended that everyone join the Richmond Museum Association - to show our support for the ship. The Executive Board is still working on getting the ship's federal grant. Most of the funds to go to cleaning and painting the ship.

• Captain Nolan reported that Judy Hart will be retiring from the National Park Service, Feb 3.

• Ivan reminded everyone to take part in the Library of Congress Veterans History Project, see <www.loc.gov>.

• Captain Smith donated the portable radios and has more equipment available - Gary and Jim W. will work on getting it.

• Gary reported that the National Museum Ships Association will hold a Conference in 2006 or 2007 in San Francisco, there will be a planning meeting on Jan 12.

• Capt Nolan reported that the ship's store may start selling a Victory ship model kit. Gary mentioned that a visitor was looking for the ship's lines for model making. Bob Mader(?) past away - he made many ship models, including of the ROV.

• Ivan recommended that an official visitors log should be kept on the ship to allow recording of interesting information from visitors.

The next meeting will be February 5, 10:00 am on the ship. Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:40 am.

Respectfully submitted: David Jackson, Secretary, Red Oak Victory Amateur Radio Club