

RIO GRANDE VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB
Minutes for 5/31/2014

A meeting of the Rio Grande Valley Amateur Radio Club (RGV ARC) was held on 5-31-2014 at the McAllen Library at 1400hrs. In attendance were:

Eddie Olivarez KF5UEZ
Joe Cobos
Dick Rodgers WB5TUG
Maryland Roders AC5TQ
Roland Rodriguez W5TWT
John Teer
Neo Canales
Jeff Teer KF7LEX
Victor Sanchez
Edgar Warwas W5OE
Robert Wyant N4WHI

The main topic of discussion was changing the name for Emergency Amateurs Responding To Help (E.A.R.T.H) to Rio Grande Valley Amateur Radio Club (RGV ARC). We would keep the same call sign and use the same equipment. Those in attendance belonged to the old E.A.R.T.H club and agreed to change the name. Motion was made by John Teer and 2nd by Dick Rodgers. Jeff Teer was the trustee to the call sign ND5N and he agreed to pass the baton to the new trustee, whom ever we elected. It was noted that election will be held every year closest to June 1st.

An election of officers was held: President-Eddie Olivarez
Secretary-Rene Lopez,Jr.
Treasurer-Edgar Warwas
Trustee-John Bearden

The first order of business was to create some by laws. Eddie Olivarez appointed the executive committee, Dick Rogers and John Teer to be on this committee.

A Technical Committee was established: Jeff Teer, Randy Ashley and John Bearden were selected to be on this committee with the first order to inventory what the club has and the location of this equipment and what needs to be repaired with the infases on a basic radio system and building upon this later. The new RGV ARC will be responsible for the Riolink system.

We will develop MOUs to have in place between the club and donors of space and equipment.

An IT committee was tasked with getting the website up to par: The IT committee consisted of Victor Sanchez, Joe Cobos and Jeff Teer.

A membership fee was discussed with several ideas ranging from a \$25 yearly membership due to \$25 for initial member and \$5 for additional family members. The Executive Committee will discuss options and bring the recommendation for the next meeting.

The change of club name and Trustee forms were taken by the President to be signed by John Bearden and will be mailed out.

The next meeting will be 6-28-2014, 1400hrs, during field day at the Hidalgo County EOC at the Hidalgo County Health Dept. in Edinburg.

Meeting Adjourned at 1530

President

Secretary