



March 17, 2012 - Meeting Minutes

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC) March 17, 2012, membership meeting was held at the Charleston Area Hamfest, Coonskin Armory, Charleston, WV and was called to order at 10:00 AM by President, Bob West, WA8YCD.

Minutes: Secretary, Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY distributed copies of the October 8, 2011 meeting minutes. It was moved, seconded, and approved by those attending to accept as reviewed and presented.

Treasury Report: Treasurer, Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD, reports a current treasury balance of \$7399.26. The financial report was accepted as presented.

Dirk reports ARRL has changed vendors for liability Insurance and he has reviewed the new ARRL vendor services. The review indicated the new ARRL vendor is less expensive for the same coverage. It was moved by Dirk, WD8PAD, seconded by Joe, WD8EOG, and approved to obtain coverage from the new vendor.

OLD BUSINESS

WV QSO Party: Rich, K8VE, reports Jeff, KZ8E, has revised the 2012 Rules and Certificate and will place on the WVSARC website <http://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/>. It was noted the 2011 results are not on the website and Bob, WA8YCD will send to Jerry, KI8EV. Rich reported he will order W8WVA cards soon.

Ticket Sales: Joe, WD8EOG, reports he has received the Invoice for 2011 new tickets. Joe reports there are adequate amount of tickets (blue and white) for the 2012 Convention.

Major Prizes: Rich, K8VE, to place orders. Discussion and suggestion to look at smaller cost and more prizes, if appropriate with budget of \$1,200.00.

Reservations (Room/Meal): Ann, KA8ZGY, reports she will mail reservation forms out in early June and plan to use the Lodge and Calhoun Cottage. Recommendation to include room and meal reservation information on the 2012 Flyer.

Concessions: Bob WA8YCD, reports he will contact the local 4-H Club ran out of food to provide same service.

Technical (Skywarn) Forum: Bob, WA8YCD, reports he has talked with Jamie Bielenski, Charleston NWS, and she will provide a two (2) hour Skywarn program. It was noted that several Skywarn programs have been ongoing throughout the state.

Key Note Speaker: Rich, K8VE reports that Bill Cross would not be available for the 2012 Convention. Discussion occurred related to ARRL HQ Rep. with suggestion of Dan Henderson, N1ND, ARRL Regulatory Information Manager (Topic: Current Update Regulatory Information with any issues related to WV) or Chuck Skolaut, K0BOG, ARRL Field and Regulatory Correspondent (Topic: Official Observer Program with any issues related to WV). The members ask Ann, KA8ZGY, ARRL WV SM to submit request to ARRL for either individual that was available.

Talk-In Station: Dirk, WD8PAD, and Patrick, N8MIN, will continue in 2012.

Royal Order Wouff Hong Ceremony (ROWH): Plan to hold the ceremony at the 2012 convention, and Joe, WD8EOG, will confirm with the ROWH group. Discussion to change time of presentation with no final time defined.

Photographer: Ann, KA8ZGY, reported Greg, N8XAQ, would be unable to photograph events as he no longer has the camera. Discussion and Patrick, N8MIN, indicates he should be able to cover the photography.

Amateur of the Year (AOY): Joe, WD8EOG, reports he will be sending the cub letters in the near future and he will provide AOY Rules for submitting nominations

VE Exams: Bob, WA8YCD, reports Maurice Brown's group will give exams.

Booster Page: Ann, KA8ZGY, reports she will send letters to the WV Clubs for donation to the 2012 Convention Booster Page. She is collecting donations at other meetings.

Auction: Bob, WA8YCD, reports Dan Ringer, K8WV and Jim Wilcox, W3WV, will provide a lively time. Discussion of moving Auction to an earlier time. Schedule to be finalized at the next meeting.

Ticket Drum: Patrick Shea, N8MIN, will have the drum for tickets.

DX Forum : Bob, WA8YCD, reports he will check with Clark Stewart, W8TN, regarding a forum.

Election of Officers: Scheduled for 2013 Convention.

NEW BUSINESS

MARS: Bob, WA8YCD, reports there will be a MARS booth.

QCWA: Bob, WA8YCD, reports there will be a QCWA booth.

KARC Donation: Ann, KA8ZGY, presented the group with a donation check for the work Bob, WA8YCD did to update the KARC Flyer.

NEXT MEETING: June 30, 2012 at the Hickory House (Bob, WA8YCD to confirm)
Time: 1:00 PM – Come early and have lunch with the group.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

(Attendance 11 – WA8YCD, WD8EOG, K8VE, N8MIN, W8AF, WD8PAD, K8UQY, K8WMX,
KC8ICV, KB8YZT, KA8ZGY)

L. Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY, WVSARC Secretary