



## April 18, 2009 - Meeting Minutes

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC) April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 ARRL WV Convention Planning meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by President Patrick Shea, N8MIN, at the Hickory House Restaurant, Rt. 19 and Jackson's Mill Road, Weston, WV 26452.

**Minutes:** Secretary, Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY distributed copies of the January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2009 meeting minutes which were reviewed and accepted as presented.

**Treasury Report:** Treasurer, Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD, no report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

**Ticket Sales:** Discussion related to ability to confirm purchase of entry ticket with suggestion of color ticket for entry and white for extra tickets. Joe, WD8EOG, reported printer indicated \$20.00/200 tickets and same for multiples thereafter. It was moved by Rich, K8VE, seconded by Jack, K8WMX, and approved to purchase 500 color entry tickets. Joe indicates there are sufficient white tickets. Discussion related to Pig Roast ticket with no action at this time.

**Special Event Station:** Discussion with motion by Rich, K8VE, seconded by Mike, KC8FWD and approved to not have Special Event Station for 2009.

**Talk-In Station:** Discussion with decision to have set-up near the ticket selling area.

**Royal Order Wouff Hong Ceremony (ROWH):** Bob, WA8YCD, indicated that he has an email confirmation from ARRL HQ to go ahead with making a ROWH pin. Action pending.

**WV Club EmComm Contest:** Discussion related to little response with recommendation to omit the event this year.

**2008 Mill Event VIDEO:** Patrick, N8MIN, has copies available today.

**Key Note Speaker:** Discussion with Rich, K8VE, reporting that TenTec and DX Engineering do not attend hamfests, and no response from LDG. Patrick, N8MIN, suggests Extreme Endeavors and will contact. Other possibilities a Green Bank representatives and K3LR.

**ARRL Convention Application** – Patrick, N8MIN, reports he has received confirmation.

**Pig Roast:** Discussion with confirmation to have Pig Roast for 2009 and tickets will be sold for event.

**Photographer:** Discussion with recommendation to have possible of a youth mingling throughout the day taking pictures. Camera would be provided....

**Vendors:** Patrick, N8MIN, reports that all vendors seemed satisfied with the event. No contact to date.

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**WV QSO Party:** Jeff, KZ8E, reports he has sent several emails to WV and past WVQSO party participants with attachments of WVQSO Flyer, 2009 WVQSO Party Summary Sheet and 2009 WV QP rules. The information is posted on the WVSARC website <http://www.qsl.net/wvsarc/>. Jeff may be contacted at [kz8e@arrl.net](mailto:kz8e@arrl.net). The Bonus Stations for W8WVA will be Charles Young, N8RR, and WVDX Association members. The event will occur on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2009. Other activities for the event include review of Logs/Scores; plaques; certificates.

**W8WVA Events:** Discussion related to concern that a copy of the W8WVA license is not readily available when needed for events. As such events are sponsored by and are representing the WVSARC by using the W8WVA callsign it is necessary to have a copy of the license at the station. Concern was expressed that the license trustee was reluctant to provide a copy of the license on an as need basis. Discussion with motion by Rich, K8VE, seconded by Mike, KC8FWD and approved to change license trustees. Rich, K8VE, volunteered to accept the position of WVSARC license trustee. It was moved by Helen, N8SWL, seconded by Dick, WD8PAD and approve by ayes to have change of W8WVA Trustee to Rich, K8VE. Rich will proceed with process.

**2008 Cal Basham, W8NR, ARES SET Award** – Ann, KA8ZGY, reports she is aware of at least two (2).

No other action needed at this time.

**Field Day (FD) Award Rules:** No changes in rules required.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**ARRL WV Vacant Positions** – Ann, KA8ZGY, ARRL WV SM reports the ARRL WV Section Technical Coordinator is still open – volunteer just contact Ann

**Fox Hunt** – Discussion with no action at this time.

**Satellite Demo** – Discussion with Bob, WA8YCD, to coordinate and report at next meeting.

**Balloon/TV Demo** – Discussion with Bob, WA8YCD, to coordinate with WVU & Fairmont State group for a launch during the Convention at the Mill.

**Technical Forum:** Discussion of APRS/Telemetry, Balloon/TV demo with motion by Rich, K8VE, seconded by Bob, WA8YCD for Bob to coordinate and present findings at next meeting.

**Huntington Antique Radio Museum** – Rick, K8VE, confirmed with Garry Ritchie, W8OI that a display would be available during the Convention at the Mill, however, does not feel it possible demo of ‘Old Spark Gap’ communications. Other information to be provided “Where to Find Needed Parts” or Where To Send For Repair”.

**DX Forum** – Patrick, N8MIN, reports he has contacted Garry Richie, W8OI and Clark Stewart, W8TN, will provide Forum.

**Election of Officers @ August Mill Meeting** – Patrick, N8MIN, indicated he will not be a candidate this year. No other action taken.

**Mill Schedule** – Rick, K8VE, presented two (2) “draft schedules” which were reviewed. The 2009 WV ARRL Convention Schedules was selected with two revisions. SEE ATTACHED (Subject to change).

**ARRL Representative** – Discussion with recommendation to invite Ed Hare, W1RFI as representative.

Ann, KA8ZGY, indicates request has been sent to ARRL HQ, with no response at this time.

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**WCSARC Pins** – Bob, WA8YCD will follow up with Joe, WD8EOG, and Fine Line Graphics for revisions needed and report at the next meeting.

**501 (C) 3 Designation:** Dirk, WD8PAD, presented to Ann, KA8ZGY, financial information to take to Joe, WV8WVU, for submission with the report.

**Mill Room Reservation/Mill Pricing:** Patrick, N8MIN, confirmed the Room Reservation/Meal Pricing will remain the same for 2009. Ann, KA8ZGY, will send reservation letters to last years reservations and others as requested by the end of May.

**Major Prizes:** Discussion of budget for 2009 prizes with motion by Ann, KA8ZGY, seconded by Rich, K8VE and approved in the amount of \$1,000.00.

**ISSUES OF CONCERN:**

- Seems BPL process is becoming active around N8Tel and Agriculture.
- WV State Legislature bill related to cell phone while driving, hams?

**NEXT WVSARC MEETING: Saturday, July 11, 2009 Hickory House, Weston, WV.**

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

(Attendance 11) – N8MIN, KA8ZGY, K8WMX, WV3WLC, WD8PAD, N8SWL, WA8YCD, K8VE, WD8EOG, KZ8E, KC8FWD.

**L. Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY,**  
WVSARC Secretary