

WEST VIRGINIA STATE AMATEUR RADIO COUNCIL, Inc.

Convention Planning Meeting

May 22, 2004

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC) May 22nd, 2004 meeting was called to order by President Mac McMillian, W8XF, at the Weston Sizzlin Steakhouse, Weston, WV.

Minutes: Secretary, Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY, distributed copies of the March 20th, 2004 meeting minutes that were reviewed and accepted as presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

WVSARC History: Ann, KA8ZGY, distributed copies of a draft of the Council history derived from information from Jack, K8WMX, and the Council minutes/documents dating back to the 1960's. Mac, W8XF, ask for all to review and if they were aware of additional information to submit to Ann. Mac noted the he would like for the history document to be in a text format before final printing.

2004 Speaker: Rich Dillon, K8VE, reported Bill Cross would be unable to attend and was awaiting reply from Riley Hollingsworth. Rich suggested Gary Anderson, RF Engineer, from Greenbank Observatory and have him speak on Making RF Receivers. It was the decision of the group for Rich to ask Gary to be guest speaker.

W8AH, Al Hix, Memorial Scholarship Fund: Mac, W8XF reported that the Kanawha Amateur Radio Club, Inc. (KARC) has contributed \$1,000.00 to the Scholarship Fund as a result of selling of the amateur equipment from Al's estate and contribution to the KARC from his wife, Connie. Mac thanked all of those who made purchases.

Meeting Building/Room Reservations: Jack, K8WMX, reports he has reservation for WV Building for forums and Wouff Hong Ceremony. Jack will be sending out reservation forms for rooms the first part of June.

Amateur of the Year: Olie, WD8V, reports he will send out notice to the WV Clubs for nomination for 2003 AOY. Nomination will must be submitted by July 14th, 2004 so the nomination ballots may be sent to the officers and five most previous AOY for vote to be submitted to Hal, KC8FS, WV ARRL Section Manager. Hal will tally the votes, obtain the plaque/name tag to present at the Convention.

ARRL Forum & Technical Forum: Hal, KC8FS, will contact Dennis Bodson, W4PWF, ARRL Roanoke Division Director requesting his attendance and others he deems appropriate. Ann, KA8ZGY, will send letter to Ed Hare, W1RFI, ARRL Laboratory Supervisor, requesting he present a Technical Forum.

Auction: Anthony, W8AF, confirmed the auction will be held in the Lodge Basement.

Booklet Ads & Printing: Bob, WA8YCD, volunteered to send request to WV Clubs for ads in the booklet and coordinate the assembly and printing of the Booklet.

Booklet Booster Page: Ann, KA8ZGY, has begun collection of names and donations for the Booklet Booster Page.

Bylaws: Mac, W8XF, reported Dan, K8WV, would be unable to attend the meeting and will present proposed changes at the Convention meeting in August and voting would take place at the first meeting following the Convention.

CW Contest: Suggestion to have some sort of CW Stunt for amateur participation. Mac, W8XF, will coordinate.

Concessions: Patrick, N8MIN, reported at the March meeting he will coordinate the concessions.

DX Forum: Hal, KC8FS, will contact Dave Heil requesting his assistance with the forum, and report at next meeting.

Field Day Awards: Mac, W8XF, will confirm scores of stations reported in QST to determine awards. Mac will obtain Field Day Plaque and 2nd Place Certificate. Field Day Certificates (found in the Council documents) will be used to send to all WV Clubs/Individuals.

Vendors/Dealers/FleaMarket: Indications that East Coast would like to be in an air conditioned area. It would be necessary to reserve another building at the cost of \$200-250 (Electric Center or Flame Way Hall). Mac, W8XF, will contact East Coast and K&D regarding the splitting of the cost of a building and report request to Jack, K8WMX, by mid July.

Fox Hunt: No action at this time.

Main Prizes: Richard, K8VE, indicated the dealers both sell Alinco and will contact regarding obtaining prizes. Jack, K8WMX, indicated \$1,000.00 is budgeted for Main Prizes.

Hourly Prizes & Forum Prizes: Mac, W8XF, reports he has several books from last year and the ARRL will send their usual books.

Public Address System: Dirk, WD8PAD, confirmed he will have PA system.

Wouff Hong Ceremony: Bob, WA8YCD, confirms they have script from Olie, WD8V, tape from Jack, K8WMX, and will contact with Chuck, K8UQY, to confirm plans for the ceremony. Jack, K8WMX, has confirmed availability of the WV Building for midnight.

Talk-In Station: Dirk, WD8PAD, indicates he will handle for 7-10AM. He will check with Patrick, N8MIN, for use of the Weston repeater.

Tickets: Mac, W8XF, will contact Ed, N8OYY, about location of unused tickets. Tickets will be needed for forums.

VE Exams: Dirk, WD8PAD, will confirm with Mountain State Transmitters or AI, W3GEG. Emergency Communication testing will also be available.

WAS/VUCC/DXCC/WAZ Checkers: Olie, WD8V; Dave, WA8WV; Hal, KC8FS, will be available at the Mill.

WVQSO Party: Scheduled for June 19th, 2004. Check QST for rules or contact Dave, WA8WV.

Citizen Corp Council: Mac, W8XF, reports the Citizen Corp Council is starting to train teams and plans to have booth at the Convention with information.

Reception: Mac, W8XF, will contact Dennis, W4PWF, regarding donation for the Friday evening reception.

NEXT MEETING – Saturday, July 10th, 2004, Weston Sizzlin Steakhouse, I-79 Exit 99, 1:00 PM

The meeting was adjourned. (Attendance 13)

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