



July 11, 2009 - Meeting Minutes

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC) July 11, 2009, 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 April 17th, 2009 meeting minutes which were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Treasury Report: Treasurer, Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD, reports insurance paid \$321.00, WV Sec. State Fee of \$25.00 with \$6415.00 +/- balance in treasury.

OLD BUSINESS

Ticket Sales: Joe, WD8EOG reports receipt of "blue entry" and white addition tickets with invoice of \$60.00. Those attending the meetings and forums who want to be included in the drawings will need to have a "blue entry" ticket.

Special Event Station: No Special Event Station for 2009.

Talk-In Station: Discussion with Dirk, WD8PAD, volunteered to do talk on-site using an HT on frequency 539.

Royal Order Wouff Hong Ceremony (ROWH): Bob, WA8YCD, indicated he is unable to find the email confirmation from ARRL HQ to go ahead with making a ROWH pin and will send a second request. Action pending.

WV Club EmComm Contest: Discussion with decision to have no contest this year.

Key Note Speaker: Bob, WA8YCD, indicates Mike Palmer, K8LG, will be guest speaker providing APRS/Telemetry and Balloon /TV Demo as topic. Bob will reconfirm with Mike.

Pig Roast: Discussion with decision of group NOT to have the Pig Roast for 2009.

Photographer: Discussion with recommendation to have possible of a youth mingling throughout the day taking pictures. Camera would be provided....Dirk indicated he will be taking picture and Ann indicated that Greg, N8XAQ, will be recording the meetings and forums as last year.

Vendors: Patrick, N8MIN, reports he has a confirmed response from Debco.

WV QSO Party: Jeff, KZ8E, unable to attend, but sent preliminary email with Ann. Indicating 92 entries, 36 states, 40 counties, 5 countries, with 965 QSO made from W8WVA. He requests to send certificates in 4 ½ X 9" envelopes for those not attending the Mill or sending reply envelope. The members present agreed it would be acceptable to send by regular mail as Jeff requested. Ann presented an email from Dan, K8WV, related to W8WVA operating multiple counties, both fixed and mobile, simultaneously. Discussion with recommendation to review the WVQSO Party rules and make changes, if appropriate, prior to time to submit to QST for 2010 event.

2008 Cal Basham, W8NR, ARES SET Award – Ann, KA8ZGY, reports she is reviewed the entries on line and was aware of one entry which should have been recognized in the July 2008 QST listing. ARRL has been notified of error.

Field Day (FD) Award Rules: Discussion and clarification of categories. Additional comments related to the scoring process using the highest points not being fair for all participants in all categories. No action at this with suggestion to review the current rules.

Fox Hunt – No activity this year.

Satellite Demo – Patrick will confirm.

Huntington Antique Radio Museum – Rich, K8VE, to contact Garry Ritchie, W8OI to confirm display.

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. If interested in an office contact, Rich, K8VE.

Mill Schedule – SEE ATTACHED (Subject to change).

ARRL Representative – Ann reports no response from Ed Hare. Discussion with recommendation request Dan Henderson, N1ND, or Mark Spencer, WA8SME as representatives. Ann will confirm.

WVSARC Pins – Joe, WD8EOG, reports still several 2008 pins and will plan to sell for \$5.00. Discussion of 2009 pin with cost of \$60.00 for set-up plus cost of 150-300 pins with motion by Dick, N8TPH, seconded by Mike, KC8FWD, and approved to not purchase pins for 2009. .

501 (C) 3 Designation: Joe, WV8WVU not present - No update available.

Mill Room Reservation/Mill Pricing: Patrick, N8MIN, confirmed the Room Reservation/Meal Pricing will remain the same for 2009. Ann, KA8ZGY, reports letter sent with slow responses to date.

Major Prizes: Rich, K8VE will purchase from R&L. **Hourly Prizes:** Ann, Joe, Bob will purchase.

WVAOY – Joe, WD8EOG, reports letters sent to clubs and nominations due July 17th.

Issues of Concern:

- Seems BPL process is becoming active – regional meeting – NTIA with grant money. WV MetroNews reports WV behind and 7.2 Billion NTIA Federal Economic Stimulus package available??
- Legislature bill related to cell phone while driving addressing teenagers.
- Dirk reports Project “Life Savior-Walk Away” program is becoming more active in northern WV asks that research activity in your local area and become involved.

TICKET SALES: “Blue Entry Ticket \$5.00” “Additional White Tickets (3/\$5.00) (7/\$10.00) (15/\$20.00)”

NEXT WVSARC MEETING: Saturday, August 22, 2009 - Jacksons Mill, Weston, WV

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

(Attendance 9) – N8MIN, KA8ZGY, WV3WLC, WD8PAD, N8SWL, WA8YCD, WD8EOG, K8TPH, KC8FWD.

L. Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY,
WVSARC Secretary

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