



October 24, 2009 - Meeting Minutes

The West Virginia State Amateur Radio Council, Inc. (WVSARC) October 24, 2009, 2009 ARRL WV Convention Planning meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM by President Robert "Bob" L. West, Jr., WA8YCD, at the Hickory House Restaurant, Rt. 19 and Jackson's Mill Road, Weston, WV 26452.

Minutes: Secretary, Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY distributed copies of the August 21, 2009 meeting minutes which were reviewed and accepted as presented.

SK Moment of Silence: A moment of silence was held for Silent Keys Bob Adams, W8GU; Tom Butcher, WV3WLC, Phil Phillips, K8MHR.

Announcements: Clark Stewart, W8TN, and Dan Ringer, K8WV are on the mends.

Treasury Report: Treasurer, Dirk Burnside, WD8PAD, presented the 2009 Convention Income and Expense report indicating a loss of \$127.19, and reported a Treasury balance of \$6,610.33.

OLD BUSINESS

50th Anniversary Pins: Bob, WA8YCD, reports still a quantity of pins available for sale.

Ticket Sales: Bob, WA8YCD, reports good sale, still concern of some not buying an Entry Tickets and will need to check for duplicates.

WV QSO Party: Jeff, KZ8E, and Rich, K8VE, report that some of the certificates need to be sent; need to consider Out Of State QRP to be at least 5 participants before awarding plaque; suggest rewriting program to meet WV's needs; request to add Digital Mode which will require a rule change; need for one email address to dump logs and capability of sending out 2010 changes to 700 email addresses. Rich indicated a need for QSL Cards, he will develop format and order as a donation to the club.

NEW BUSINESS -2010

ARRL Convention Application: Ann, KA8ZGY, reports application has been submitted.

Mill Facilities: Recommendation to use only the Main Pavilion, WV Building and the Lodge WV Room for meetings and the Lodge and Calhoun Cottage for Rooms – will open other cottages if necessary.

Mill Room/Meals/Camping Reservations: Ann, KA8ZGY, will coordinate and send mailings.

Key Note Speaker: Discussion with suggestion of FCC Director Laura Smith. Rich, K8VE, will contact requesting as Key Note Speaker and will include Bill Cross in the communication.

ARRL Representative – Discussion with suggestions to ask H. Ward Silver, N1AX, QST Contributing Editor or Mark Spencer, W8SME, ARRL Education Project Manager or Dan Henderson, N1ND, Regulatory Information Branch Manager. Ann, KA8ZGY, will send request.

Technical Forum: Suggestion to hold until confirmation of ARRL Rep.

Major Prizes: Rich, K8VE will purchase from R&L. **Hourly Prizes:** pending

Special Event Station: Michael, KC8FWD, will confirm with SJARC for Special Event Station for 2010. Discussion to use a paper log to simply process. Certificates process will be decided if confirmed.

Talk-In Station: Discussion with Dirk, WD8PAD, volunteered on-site using an HT on frequency 539.00.

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 to ARRL. Bob, WA8YCD, confirmed 2010 is the year for the Ceremony at midnight Saturday of the convention – discussion and preparation will begin in spring as needed.

WV Club EmComm Contest: Discussion with decision on hold – Dirk indicates need to change process.

Pig Roast: Discussion with decision of group NOT to have the Pig Roast for 2010.

Vendors: Suggestions of Debco, S&G, and East Coast. Ann, KA8ZGY, will pull vendor list from Charleston Hamfest Committee and select prospective vendors from the list to send letters and flyer.

Photographer: Ann, KA8ZGY will confirm with Greg, N8XAQ, the status of the video recordings.

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

Schedule/Forums/Flyer: Schedule will include forums for ARRL, DX, Nets, ARES, Skywarn and will confirm QCWA, MARS. Ann will contact Charleston NWS representative for a Skywarn presentation. Schedule will remain basically the same. Will please draft schedule & flyer on the WVSARC website.

Amateur of the Year: Joe, WD8EOG, will coordinate. Discussion that the nomination letters are lacking in the information related to nominees amateur radio activities for the specific year. Suggestion the WVSARC may want to develop a format outlining all the requirements to include in letter sent WV Clubs.

Demonstration Presentations: Several suggestion, and ask those present to bring “Demo Confirmation” to next meeting. Ann, KA8ZGY, will send information to clubs soliciting demo presentation. Suggest contact Garry, W8OI for demo from Huntington Antique Radio Museum.

VE Exams: Need to confirm is N8VA group will do exam.

Concessions: Patrick indicated Doddridge Co. ARC sold donuts/coffee and he will confirm for 2010.

NEXT Meeting: Suggestion to hold at the Plateau Hamfest in February 2010. Ann will contact and send out announcements.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

(Attendance 9) – WA8YCD, N8MIN, KA8ZGY, WD8PAD, N8SWL, KC8FWD, W8AF, K8VE, KZ8E.

L. Ann Rinehart, KA8ZGY,
WVSARC Secretary

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2010 ARRL WV STATE CONVENTION

DRAFT Schedule (Subject to Change)

Friday, 20 August 2010		
1800	President Reception	Lodge Basement
Saturday, 21 August 2010		
0700	Talk-In station on the Air Flea Market	Pavilion
0800	Ticket Sales Pavilion - Entry & Additional Tickets (Major & Hourly Prizes)	Pavilion
0900	Nets Meetings – WV Building	WV Building
0945	ARES Meeting – WV Building	WV Building
1000	VE Exams – Lodge Basement	
1045	Technical Forum/Guest Speaker - TBS	WV Building
1200	Lunch	
1300	Awards: Field Day, AOY, WVQSO Party	WV Building
1330	Key Note Speaker - TBA	WV Building
1400	DX Forum	WV Building
1530	QCWA Meeting - Pending	WV Building
1530	MARS Meeting - Pending	Lodge Basement
1600	ARRL Roanoke Division Forum – WV Building	WV Building
1700	Dinner	
1830	WVSARC Meeting	Lodge Basement
1930	AUCTION (Bring Donations for Auction)	Lodge Basement
2359	Royal Order Woulf Hong Ceremony	WV Building