

**EARC Minutes of 20 Jan 2011**

**The EARC met Thursday evening at the American Red Cross Building, Enid OK**

**Attendance:**

**KF5AKV 'Jim' Poindexter**

**KC5TTD Theresa Locke**

**KC5SII David Locke**

**AD8B Dave Von Dielingen**

**KD5BA Al Fox**

**KC5OKG Bill Wehling**

**KD5KTB Tim McAnally**

**KD5MFY Greg Veit**

**KE5PQY Dan Plank**

**KA5HYK Jess Andres**

**Wd5HUT Ron Clinton**

**K5ECH Phil Burford**

**KF5CJZ Christina Bishop**

**KF5HDQ Liam Bishop**

**K5ECI Bill Keck**

**KD5OFF Mike Cofer**

**Guests: Jerry Brown and Emily Bishop**

KD5OFF, Mike called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

The minutes of the December 2009 meeting were approved.

Treasurer Report K5ECI, Bill:

The club has 5 funds: Regular expenditure, Hamfest, Digital Net, ECF and Memorial.

Both savings and checking account are positive, no current liabilities. The report was approved as given.

Correspondence K5ECI, Bill:

Due to a request by the Red Cross a monetary donation was discussed and approved. A check in the amount of USD 50 will be issued.

Bill also mentioned a card that was sent by the Wehling family thanking the club for the memorial donation which was made in Martha's name.

A thank you note will be sent to Western Enterprises, Jim Burnett, for a USD 400 donation. This donation, as explained by KD5BA AI, is an appreciation for the help over the years with a series of events, i.e. Enid lights up the plains, 4th of July fireworks etc.

February meeting aka 'Chili Dinner':

The next meeting in February 2011 will be held at WRCC (Willow Road Christian Church) starting at 06:30 p.m. Members are encouraged to invite guests, i.e. non-members interested in ham radio and/or inactive members of the EARC. Paper goods, soda and ice will be provided. Running counts should be emailed to KD5OFF, Mike.

Post Office Box receipt is current, we are good for another year.

**Committee Reports:**

- Repeater: KD5MFY, Greg, no updates.
- ECF: K5ECI, Bill, setting up a ham station at Leonardo's is still being discussed. He suggests the committee regroups and starts meeting again.
- Monday Night Net: KD5KTB, Tim, will be unable to do the net for the next 3 months. If anybody is interesting in hosting the net, please let WD5HUT, Ron or KD5OFF, Mike know.
- ARES: KD5OFF, Mike, no updates.
- Radio Activity Night: Per KD5KTB, Tim and KC5SII, Dave meeting will take place 4th Thursday at Central Christian Church, 7pm. Room 109 and we will be 'playing' with Mesh Nodes.

- Hamfest: KD5OFF, Mike, suggested that the donation by Western Enterprise (USD 400) be put towards the Hamfest account. After a brief discussion it was clear that the club should hold off on earmarking the amount at this time because there might be expenses in the near future in regards to tower climbs and/or taking down the antenna at St. Mary's. KD5OFF, Mike, asked every member of the club to help with the hamfest preparations as well as suggested that everyone considers how he or she can help during that first Saturday in November.

- Pioneer Repeater Group: KD5KTB, Tim updated the club. Gary Garber donated a second set of duplexers and we will be using existing hard line.

- Club Activities: Per KD5BA, Al, there are no current activities but April is coming fast and there will be the Red Dirt BBQ as well as the Tri State Parade.

***NEW Business:***

- ARES: KA5HYK, Jess, informed the club members Bill Pressley (Health Department) is thinking about a ham back-up system on HF for area emergency centers. KD5KTB, Tim, suggested to form a committee to look closely at what it entails.

- Financial Audit Committee: The audit was done by KA5HYK, KD5BA and KF5CJZ. The report done by Treasurer K5ECI, Bill, was very organized and easy to read. A written report was turned into the secretary to hand over to the president.

KD5OFF, Mike, advised club members that there is a ARRL membership contest/drive for 2011 with incentives for the EARC club.

K5SII informed members that Gary Gerber has a VHF contest at 'The Bunkhouse' this coming Saturday and Sunday, also Gary was invited to speak at the Dayton Hamvention

**Insurance:** Discussed were the Hamfest coverage and the fact that the equipment list needs to be checked for accuracy.

KD5OFF, Mike, also announced a 'Disaster Boot Camp' by the Red Cross. Interested club members should contact the Red Cross

*The meeting was adjourned at 08:08 pm*

*Respectfully submitted, KF5CJZ*

