

B-VARC BOARD MEETING, JUNE 16, 1983-----

WA5OEN called the meeting to order at 7:28 P.M. In attendance were:

WA5OEN / WB5SRN / ND5F / WB5IGG / KA5DKS / KA5GYG / WD5DRB

WA5 OEN reported that on 13 June, he, N5FAB and W5WVX met at 10:30 A.M. with some

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Representatives of the Police/Fire departments of Missouri City, Stafford, and Sugarland. The meeting served as time to educate these public officials of B-VARC's public service activities and how HAM Radio can be utilized by these officials in emergency situations.

As a status report only: Mo. City has some HF equipment but needs an antenna for same. It lacks 2-meter equipment, but operational 2-meter antennas are located at the City Hall/Police station and at the Fire Station #1. Stafford has purchased an ICOM 25S with Kenwood PS (on the basis of the meeting of 13 June) and has a 2-meter station on the air. Sugarland to date has no equipment nor antennas.

WA5OEN continued his report, stating the 'Doc' Estell, Chairman for Communications for the Red Cross is seeking HAMS for liaison purposes. The W5DWI Repeater, 146.25/85 machine is the official Red Cross/Civil Defense frequency. The next ARES meeting with the cities' officials will be 7:30 P.M. on 21 June at the Stafford Police Department.

ND5F asked if generators have been acquired for F-D. The answer is yes.

WA5OEN reported that the IRS has sent documentation that B-VARC is a non-profit social organization. Copies were sent to Austin to the State Comptroller to try to preserve the Club's charitable status with the State.

WA5OEN reported that K5KNH wrote a letter to the HAMS in Corsicana to confirm that B-VARC has the serious intent to utilize, care for, and accept responsibility of their 2-meter repeater "loaner".

WD5DRB has committed to devise a revised telephone triangle/network. DRB also will forward to W5KR club and individual activity reports for inclusion on ARRL Section News column.

KA5DKS announced that the planned programs for the rest of 1983 are:
July---Don Busick---"Whats new in HAM Radio equipment"
August--N5HF--DXing
September--"DOC" Estell--HAM Radio and the Red Cross
October, November, December--No plans yet; suggestions are welcome.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 P.M. NO business was conducted, nor were there any motions made.

The Board thanks KA5DKS for the hospitality as he hosted the meeting.

73, WD5DRB