

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MARCH 7, 1985

President Harold Parker, ND5F, called the meeting to order in the offices of Vic, K5KNH, at 7:30 p.m. Present were Ken KA5DKS, Harold ND5F, Paul N5FQS, Ron KA5GYG, Lloyd WDSHEH, Phil W8SLIZ, Jim W5RANK, Sallie KA5RXW, Steve KE5SC, Kenny KA5UPB, and Carter K05XX. Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed.

Because he could not stay for the entire meeting, Phil Cooper W8SLIZ, spoke first to the Board concerning a letter he had received from the Veterans Administration about setting up an amateur radio station at the VA Hospital. The VA wants 1.6 to 30 MHz capability, also, an ARRL Emergency Coordinator must be the Trustee of the station.

Special Committee Reports:

AUDIT - Lloyd and Mark, KA5NYI, have had difficulty in getting together for the audit. Lloyd is in contact with the IRS in Austin concerning any requirement of the club.

SPECIAL EVENTS - Upcoming is the Bayou City Fun Run March 23, in conjunction with The Houston Festival '85 during the week ends of March 23 and 24, also 30 and 31. Contact Dick Hawkins W5DWI, to volunteer for communications either of these week ends.

Standing Committee Reports:

PUBLIC RELATIONS - Paul has written 2 major and 4 minor newspapers asking to whom press releases should be sent. He also is still looking for someone to help with correspondence. The program March 14 will be given by Andy MacAllister W4SZIB, on AMSAT.

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS - Ed Harwell W5WVX, not being present, Ron reported that on Tuesday night Judge Jodie Stavinhoa had assumed all responsibility for emergency communications in Fort Bend County.

TRAINING - Bobby Webb W4SCAC, being absent, Kenny reported that a final site selection for Field Day had not been made. He also stated that he can secure an RV for the Field Day week end. Harold asked for comments on the new 2 meter net format. Comments were favorable. Harold suggested updating the net preamble, also he suggested we should be listed in the net directory; ARES and RACES.

TECHNICAL ADVANCEMENT - Steve reported he has 6 candidates for the Novice class, Jim reported that he had 2 more. Another Volunteer Examination will be held March 23. A critique will be held March 16. Jim will build equipment so that headsets can be used for the code test.

MEMBERSHIP SERVICES - Kenny asked Ron to relate an incident when the illegal use of amateur frequencies by employees of a local theater chain was discovered. The FCC was advised.

PUBLICATIONS - Lloyd stated that all the latest information is in the bulletin on new members and upgrades.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 pm.