

**B-VARC Board of Directors Meeting
Action & Comments, May 2, 1991**
by Dick Kruse, N5OUT, Recording Secretary

Cash on hand in the club treasury is \$2,711.03.

Three new members have paid their dues. We now have 166 club members.

The *World Radio* magazine Gift Certificates have arrived, and a subscription will be given away at the next regular meeting.

Twelve SASE's have been sent to *World Radio* so that will send us new calls licensed in our area and change of address of existing Hams.

Information about B-VARC has been submitted for use by Ham Radio Helpline. We received a promotional brochure from them and have made 300 copies. They are attempting to get permission to place the brochures in local Radio Shack stores.

The Sidewalk Sale held on the third Saturday of each month was adopted by the club as an official B-VARC club sponsored event. Bill Hickox, K5BDZ, will be the Chairman of this monthly event.

One hundred dollars (as in past years) was invested as seed money with Houston Hamvention for the event to be held in November. A 25% return was earned last year.

A letter was received from the Fort Bend Parks and Recreation department stating that only fifty-five people and nine tables would be allowed in our meeting room at the Fire Station. Since this will not allow us to have certain functions or accomodate growth of the club, Ralph Cheek, KB5DNT, volunteered to chair a committee to look for a new meeting place. Bill Dessens, N5KXU, volunteered to assist in the search.

A letter written to ARRL requesting assistance in the organization of our club's fifteenth anniversary next year was returned with brief notes in the margins, but with no assistance offered. The intent is to make this anniversary very special.

The Rules Committee's recommendation to change the Dr. Bill award was returned to the committee for additional study. The following change will be made in the written criteria for awarding the Order of the Key award: "The Order of the Key is the highest honor to be conferred by B-VARC."

The Field Day committee is meeting May 14th. All is going well.

Due to static, the Rag Chew Net has not been going well. However, fourteen did check in one night.

The M. D. Anderson Hospital 5K Run was very successful even though it rained.

A special list will be made in the *Bulletin* to acknowledge those that participate in other Ham events even though they are not official B-VARC approved functions.

The July club meeting will be an Ice Cream Social with videos of Field Day.

A letter addressed to the ARRL from Stu Lamkin, WB5IGG, was read. It contains our renewal report for continued Special Service Club status.

The Novice Class ended May 6th. Twenty-six students have been attending the class.