

**B-VARC Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes, September 2, 1993  
by Bud King, N5UOG**

A quorum of the B-VARC Board of Directors met at the Sugar Land Community Center on September 2, 1993. This was the ninth meeting of the Board of Directors for the 1993 calendar year.

President Betty Wilcox, KAØTEN, opened the meeting at 7:30 P.M.

The minutes of the August 5th meeting were submitted by Bud King, N5UOG, and approved unanimously.

Club Treasurer, Sam Wilson, N5CPA, reported a balance of \$3,414.79 in the treasury as of August 31, 1993. The Treasurer's report was approved unanimously.

Vice President, Doug Holley, KE5SR, reported that the date of the Club Picnic would be Saturday, September 25. The cost of the dinner will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children 12 and under. The "Code Class" conducted by Doug, for those interested in upgrading, has had an attendance rate of 7 to 21 per class.

Mel Thatcher, KB5ION, stated that the "Wednesday Nite Rag Chew Net" was holding it's own insofar as the check-in's are concerned.

Claudia Kozinetz, N5VCZ, informed the Board that the next B-VARC sponsored public service event would be the ALA Bike Ride to be held Saturday and Sunday, October 2-3.

Bud King, N5UOG, suggested the Club contribute \$20 to the City of Sugar Land Halloween Fun Festival. The Board approved the expenditure unanimously.

Michael Ricco, N5YKR, reported that the older MERA repeater had been repaired and was now on frequency with no deviation. The coax cable has also been replaced. He also stated that he had the newer Spectrum repeater in his possession; it was not passing audio.

Vincent Orlando, WA5ETS, notified the Board that the club membership now stands at 261. No one as yet has come forward to take over the responsibility of putting out the *Bulletin*. Several names were discussed by the Board members.

Bill Dessens, N5KXU, volunteered to get information on the status of the Banner Committee and to report his findings to the Board.

AL Zermeno, KK5W, discussed the advantages of organizing a group of members who would be interested in a transmitter hunt activity. The group could share information with like groups in other ham clubs in the area. Motron Electronics supplied Al with information about a product they sell that can "finger print" every transmitter whose signal it receives. A discussion concerning the product followed with no Board action taken.

Mark Widerstorm, N5UOA, reported on the methods being used by him and other persons, authorized by the local F.C.C. office to gather information on persons or equipment that are making illegal transmissions on the HAM bands.

Proceedings for the nominations for B-VARC club awards and for the 1994 club officers were discussed along with preparations for the annual banquet.

Paul Holcombe, N5JQH, read a statement to the Board which was critical of the language used by a member of the club during a transmission on the 2-meter band. Much discussion followed without any conclusive action taken by the Board.

Betty Wilson adjourned the meeting at 9:45 pm.