

B-VARC BOARD MEETING

by Jackie Burton—KC5OHJ

A quorum of the Board of Directors met at the Sugar Land Community Center on June 6, 1996. This was the sixth board meeting of the calendar year. The meeting was called to order by President, Ron Grimes—WASSCE, at 7:30 p.m.

The following Board Members and guests were present:

Ron Grimes—WASSCE, Louis House—KD5GM, Jackie Burton—KC5OHJ, Jim Cahalan—XB5TBZ, Pete Norris—KJ5SS, Terry McCoy—KK5RL, Bud King—N5UOG, Claude Sessions—K5HFY, Allen Mattis—NSAFV, Sam Wilson—N5CPA, John Moore—KK5NU, Gailen Marshall—N4SKR, Ailen Brier—WBSBIR, and Connie Brier.

Recording Secretary, Jackie Burton—KC5OHJ, presented the May minutes. The minutes were approved with a motion that passed unanimously.

Treasurer, Pete Norris—KJ5SS, presented the Treasurer's report dated May 31, 1996, showing a balance of \$5,695.52. Pete stated that B-VARC currently has a total of 144 members. The treasurer's report was approved with a motion that passed unanimously.

Vice-President, Louis House—KD5GM, stated that he had submitted pictures of the Tatanka Boy Scout Festival to QST magazine. He stated that the pictures, if used, will be on a space available basis.

Board Member, Terry McCoy—KK5RL, stated that he had checked into having our meetings at the Memorial Hospital facility. He stated that it does not look promising. After much discussion, it was decided that we would take a vote at the June regular meeting on several locations.

B-VARC Rag Chew Net Manager, Sam Wilson—N5CPA, reported that the net is doing well, and that the check-ins for the month of April ranged from 13 to 22, which matches his high for the one and a half years he has been running this net.

Public Service Net Manager, Jackie Burton—KC5OHJ, reported that the Monday night Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club Public Service Information Net was going well, with fairly high

check-ins, the only problems being with squirrel activity.

Gailen Marshall—N4SKR, reported that the program for the June regular meeting would be QSL cards, presented by Randy Pollard—AK5G. He asked people to bring their favorite/unusual QSL cards. The program for July will be the ice cream social, and hopefully some footage from field day will be available for viewing.

Pete Norris—KJ5SS, stated that the Novice/Tech classes were going well, averaging 7 to 8 people attending.

Allen Brier—WB5BIR, reported that Field Day is coming along nicely, and much equipment has already been donated. We will be operating as a 3A station. The food will be catered by the Swinging Door, with tickets being sold for the dinner. The price for 2 meats (brisket and sausage) and 2 vegetables (cole slaw and potato salad) would be approximately \$9.00, with the cost of the ticket being \$5.00 and B-VARC subsidizing the remainder of the cost. This was approved with a motion and second that passed unanimously. After some discussion, it was decided to go with 3 meats (add chicken) and 3 vegetables (add beans). The cost for this would be \$9.50, with the cost of the ticket to remain \$5.00 and B-VARC picking up the remainder of the cost.

This was approved with a motion and second that passed unanimously. After some discussion, it was decided to go with 3 meats (add chicken) and 3 vegetables (add beans). The cost for this would be \$9.50, with the cost of the ticket to remain \$5.00 and B-VARC picking up the remainder of the cost. This was passed with an amended motion and second that passed unanimously. Connie Brier, along with some other volunteers, will be preparing breakfast, and after motion and second, it was passed for the club to reimburse Connie for the cost of materials involved in the preparation of breakfast for Field Day.

President, Ron Grimes—WA5SCE, stated that he would bring copies of the Constitution and By-Laws to the June regular meeting for everyone to look over. The bill for registering bvarc.org with the Internic was presented and approved for payment in the amount of \$100.00.

There was some discussion concerning the taking away of 2m/70cm bands. A suggestion was made for the club to send a letter as a club of x number of members. Gailen Marshall—N4SKR volunteered to write the letter for President Grimes' signature.

President, Ron Grimes—WA5SCE, presented a bill in the amount of \$60.00

from World Radio for B-VARC's ad in that publication. It was approved for payment with a motion and second that passed unanimously.

John Moore—KK5NU, asked the board if we could link the MERA page with B-VARC's home page. Everyone agreed that this was okay, and that it did not need formal board approval.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by Ron Grimes—WASSCE, at 8:45 p.m. with a motion, second and unanimous vote.

