

Minutes of June 7th, 2007 Board of Directors meeting of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club:

Mike Hardwick called the monthly Board of Directors meeting for The Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club to order at 7:30 PM on June 7th, 2007 at Denny's Restaurant, 8199 SW Freeway; Houston, TX.

Attending were: Mike Hardwick, N5VCX (Pres.); Allen Brier, N5XZ (V P); Sid Sherwood, N5ZXD (Treas./Cor. Sec.); Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX (Rec. Sec.); Robert Polinski, KD5YVQ (At-Large Dir.); Bill Stone, KS5H (At-Large Dir.); Rick Hiller, W5RH (At-Large Dir.); Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM; Randy Pollard, AK5G; Claude Sessions Jr., K5HFY; and Dave Beers, AF5T.

- 1) Minutes for May 2007 meeting were approved as they appeared in the June 2007 newsletter.
- 2) Treasurer's Report was presented to and approved by the Board.
- 3) Old Business:
 - a) Hamfest:
 - i) Website design is still in progress
 - ii) Status as an ARRL convention is still pending
 - iii) Fairground deposit has not yet been made. Pollard will deliver deposit next week.
 - b) Filed Day:
 - i) Captains: Robert Polinski, Carl Warfield, and Leroy Sims Jr.
 - ii) Location: Richmond Fire Training Facility
 - iii) Classification: To Be Determined (TBD).
 - iv) Antennas: (TBD) The tri-band HF yagi that the club has used in the past will no longer be available. The board discussed the purchase of a yagi and coax. Because of the short time now available, Polinski and Brier will research possibilities and any resolution would come through emails.
 - v) The RG8 coax used by the club in past years is no longer available. Polinski will purchase coax and the club will purchase from him some portion for field day use.
 - vi) Budget: Set at \$300 by board vote.
 - c) General Meetings:
 - i) June:
 - (1) Location: Unocal building at 14141 SW Fwy
 - (2) Program: Steve Lee from the FCC
 - ii) July:
 - (1) Location: Sugar Land Community Center
 - (2) Program: TBD
 - iii) August:
 - (1) Location: Sugar Land Community Center
 - (2) Program: Ice Cream Social; **THE CLUB NEEDS SOMEONE TO STEP UP AND CHAIR THIS ACTIVITY.**
 - iv) September:
 - (1) Location: Sugar Land Community Center
 - (2) Program: TBD
 - v) October:
 - (1) Location: Sugar Land Community Center
 - (2) Program: TBD
 - vi) November:
 - (1) Location: Sugar Land Community Center
 - (2) Program: Chili Supper and Elections
 - vii) December:
 - (1) Location: Sugar Land Community Center
 - (2) Program: Home-brew equipment night
- 4) New business:
 - a) Treasurer's report in the newsletter: The board discussed the possible unintended consequences of having the treasurer's report appear in the newsletter. This is perceived by some as inappropriate because the newsletter is distributed to others beyond the club and published on the Internet. It was for that reason that the board voted to no longer publish that information in the newsletter but still have it available at the general meetings.
 - b) It was pointed out to the board that 56% of the member's yearly dues is devoted to publishing the newsletter. The club has 29 life members and 124 members.

- c)
 - d) The newsletter is currently being sent to members and several non-members as a method of publicizing the club. The board reviewed the list of non-members and several were removed.
 - e) Pollard informed the board that the widow of a silent key donated some low-value equipment. This will be auctioned off at the Ice Cream Social.
 - f) Stone has received new BVARC patches. These will be sold for \$5 each.
 - g) The end of August will be the shut-off for ordering BVARC caps and shirts. Order forms and moneys are to be sent to Sid Sherwood, N5ZXD.
 - h) Stone opened discussion regarding the Telpac station proposal by Alan, KB2WF that appeared in the June newsletter. No resolution resulted from topic's discussion.
 - i) Polinski announced that there will be a Field Day final meeting just before the event. This will not be a General Membership meeting but probably a Saturday meeting.
- 5) Other Business:
- a) Public Service Events: Katy Flatland, July 15th, 2007.
- 6) Meeting adjourned at 8:36 PM.

Submitted by Recording Secretary Peter Sauermilch-KD5QPX