

Minutes of November 2nd, 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 7:34 PM on November 2nd, 2007 at Otto's Barbecue, 11222 Fountain Lake Dr, Stafford, TX.

Attending were: Mike Hardwick, N5VCX (Pres.); Sid Sherwood, N5ZXD (Treas./Cor. Sec.); Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX (Rec. Sec.); Robert Polinski, KD5YVQ (At-Large Dir.); Bill Stone, WS5H (At-Large Dir.); Norma Stone, KE5NDN; Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM; Charles Frost, K5LBU; John Chauvin, K5IZO; Dave Beers, AF5T; Pete Norris, KJ5SS; Bud King, K5CEK.

- 1) Minutes for the October 2007 meeting were approved as they appear in the for November 2007 newsletter.
- 2) Treasurer's Report was not presented to the Board because of a printer failure.
- 3) Old Business:
 - a) Hamfest:
 - i) Food: Possible vendors are Otto's or the Ft. Bend ROTC
 - ii) Flyer: Reviewed, thought a little too dense (busy)
 - iii) Commercial contacts: HF Projects and Yeasu have responded, Yeasu will not attend
 - iv) General contact: Mike Hardwick
 - v) E-mail address: Not yet implemented
 - vi) Texas VHF-FM Society will hold board of directors meeting on site.
 - vii) Next Hamfest meeting will be November 15th at Otto's Barbecue.
 - b) General Meetings:
 - i) November 8th:
 - (1) Chili Supper: Coordinator, Robert Polinski
 - (2) Elections, following have agreed to be put forward by the BoD for election:
 - (a) Arnold Knoch, 2 year Director
 - (b) Pete Sauermilch, Recording Secretary
 - (c) Robert Polinski, President
 - ii) December 13th:
 - (1) Homebrew Night:
 - (2) CERT/DX: Michael Kahlenberg of Ft. Bend Office of Emergency Management
 - iii) January 11th:
 - (1) BoD Meeting: Otto's Barbecue, January 3rd
 - (2) Banquet:
 - (a) Salt Grass Steakhouse, SW Freeway; 6PM drinking, 7PM Eating.
 - iv) February 14th:
 - (1) Only 2008 General Meeting not at SL Community Center. BVARC will meet at the old Unical building located on the east side of US59 between Williams Trace and Sweetwater intersections.
 - v) March 13th: New Ham Month (Discovering Amateur Radio), Bill Stone coordinating
 - vi) April 10th: Mini-antenna programs, Rick Hiller coordinator. These will be 4 to 6 presentations that are 15 to 20 minutes long.
- 4) New business:
 - a) License Classes: No sooner than February.
 - b) Follow up: Request from Alan Isaachsen to manage a Digipeater system in the Sugar Land area. Bill Stone and Pete Sauermilch had contacted Isaachsen and plans are going forward. There was some discussion about historic problems when BVARC had managed a voice repeater. Unresolved questions were posed regarding conditions on receiving equipment and service expectations.
- 5) Other Business: Public Service Events
 - a) Novemberfest: Saturday, November 10th
 - b) Bike the Bend, November 18th
- 6) Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM

Submitted by Recording Secretary Peter Sauermilch-KD5QPX