

Minutes of October 1st, 2009 Board of Directors meeting of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club:

Charles Frost called the monthly Board of Directors meeting for the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club to order at 7:20 PM on October 1st, 2009 at Fudrucker's, 11445 Fountain Lake Drive, Stafford, TX. Attending were: Charles Frost, K5LBU; (Pres.); Arnold Knoche, K5ADA (Treas./Cor. Sec.); Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX (Rec. Sec.); David Barber, K5NDB, (At-Large Dir.); Rick Hiller, W5RH (VP); Mike Hardwick, N5VCX (Past Pres.); Ross Lawler, W5HFF (At-Large Dir.); Bill Stone, WS5H; Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM; Sid Sherwood, N5ZXD; Kirk Kendrick, KK2Z.

- 1) Minutes for the September 2009 meeting were amended by the request of Sauermilch. Sauermilch stated that in his opinion he had not accurately report the events described in item 4a) appearing in the September 2009 newsletter. He asked the board to approve a replacement for paragraph 4a). That replacement appears here in entirety. "Stone made the complaint that he wanted to continue the use W5DPA on the 10M nets which was opposed by Hardwick. Hardwick's expressed opposition was that W5DPA is assigned to Houston Amateur Radio Club, not BVARC and it was Hardwick's feeling that it was not correct to use both calls at essentially the same time by the same station. Hardwick asked Stone to not use W5DPA for a while so he could correct the status of W5DPA and HARS." After discussion, board approved the September minutes containing the substitution above.
- 2) Treasurer's Report was presented to and approved by the Board.
- 3) New business:
 - a) Hiller announced that Chauvin, again, is willing to chair the Greater Houston Hamfest with the condition that co-chairmen are found. Hiller and Kendrick volunteered to be co-chairmen.
 - b) Sherwood requested that the board condone moving the Monday net from the 145.47 to the 146.94 repeater on November 2nd. The move is requested to improve coverage to those members unable to use the 145.47 repeater. Board approved the move even though no vote is required. Changes in Monday net format and content were discussed. No resolution was reached regarding the net's new format. Notification is to be given on every Monday net before the move.
 - c) Mitchell summarized a meeting among Eddie Runner, Mitchell, Chauvin, and Sauermilch regarding Runner's offer to rewrite the BVARC web site. Mitchell made the following requests for of the board.
 - i) Runner be authorized to create a new listserve to replace the current listserve on CLARK's server. Board approved request.
 - ii) Runner be added to the BVARC web site committee, be given approval to rewrite the site, and be given appropriate account names and passwords. Board approved request.
 - iii) Runner be allowed to create a Pay Pal mechanism that would allow BVARC members to renew membership. Board approved as long as the existing method remains in place and any additional expense of using Pay Pal be born by the person using the service.
 - iv) The contents of the website be backed-up along with all account names and passwords that BVARC holds to do its business on a regular basis. This should be done once per year and archive copies of the site would be given to the Treasurer and Recording Secretary. Board approved request.
 - d) Sauermilch requested that BVARC create an Asset Record of all property owned by the club. Board approved request. Sauermilch is to create such record.
 - e) Frost commented that there have been no nominations for the January awards.
- 4) Schedule and Coming Events:
 - a) October General Membership Meeting: Steve Lee (FCC) is the speaker for the meeting and a group is taking him to dinner at the Live Oak Grill before the meeting.
 - b) October 31st: Ellington Air Show, operators needed.
 - c) November General Membership Meeting: Elections and Chili Supper, Ross Lawler Chairman, volunteers needed.
 - d) November BoD Meeting: November 12th, Fudrucker's Stafford, 7:00PM.
 - e) December: Home Brew Night
 - f) January: Banquet: Knoche summarized the cost as follows; Menu including dessert \$23.99, Sales tax 1.98, 20% gratuity 4.80, Total \$30.77. BVARC will write a check to Texas Land & Cattle for \$30.77 times the total number of meals served. The Board has voted to charge \$20 each to BVARC members and their guests. Members must pay BVARC in advance, or no later than at the banquet. Cash bar for alcoholic beverages paid by members to Texas Land & Cattle.
- 5) Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX