

Minutes of October 7th, 2009 Board of Directors meeting of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club:

Rick Hiller called the monthly Board of Directors meeting for the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club to order at 7:00 PM on October 7th, 2009 at Fudrucker's, 11445 Fountain Lake Drive, Stafford, TX. Attending were: Rick Hiller, W5RH (Pres.); Arnold Knoche, K5ADA (Treas./Cor. Sec.); Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX (Rec. Sec.); David Barber, K5NDB, (At-Large Dir.); Charles Frost, K5LBU; (Past Pres.); Ross Lawler, W5HFF (At-Large Dir.); Eddie Runner, NU5K; Norma Stone, KE5NDN; Bill Stone, WS5H; Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM; John Chauvin, K5IZO; David Bogart, N5EMG; Billy Jones Jr., N5EVD; Angel Abbott-Jones, KC5KRV.

- 1) Minutes for the September 2010 meeting were approved as previously distributed by email and appears in the September 2010 newsletter.
- 2) Treasurer's Report was presented to and approved by the Board.
- 3) Old Business:
 - a) Asset List: Sauermilch, no action.
 - b) Club Apparel: Hiller, no action.
 - c) 2011 Banquet: Hiller, no action.
 - d) NewsLetter Advertising: Knoche, no activity. Discussion followed regarding rates. To encourage advertisement, the board voted to charge \$250/year for one-half page advertisements that are invoiced and paid one year in advance.
 - e) CW Class: Chauvin reported there are enough people to make the class.
 - f) BSA Shack Jam: Hiller reported he would have two complete stations and three antennas for the event.
 - g) Astronomy Day: Chauvin reported that it would be at the George Observatory, Brazos Bend State Park on October 16th. BVARC and AMSAT will share a table. AMSAT will work a satellite pass. There will be a space station contact handled from off site. BVARC is not responsible for that contact.
 - h) Air Show: Elington Field, October 23rd.
 - i) KK5W Call Use Rules: Lawler explained why new rules are in effect. Currently logs resulting from call use are due to him within 14 days. He may extend that to 30.
- 4) New Business:
 - a) BVARC Digipeater: Stone reported that the club digipeater has been operating 24/7 trouble free at West Oaks Hospital. Currently it is on 145.010 because of the heavy congestion on 145.050. He is providing to Sauermilch a list of station equipment for the asset list.
 - b) 2011 Greater Houston Hamfest: Chauvin presented to the board a proposed budget. After discussion, his budget and authorization to spend up to \$4,864 for the event was approved by the board.
 - c) 2011 Ham Com: Hiller proposed that BVARC have a table at the event. His defense was that promoting the club enlarges membership and voluntarism. After discussion the board authorized him to spend up to \$250 on the event.
 - d) Elections, November 2010: Positions up for election are Vice-president, Treasurer/Corresponding Secretary, At Large Director, and At Large Director to replace Past President. There was discussion regarding the necessity of electing a third At Large Director. (Editorial Note: The Recording Secretary consulted the published by-laws as found on the BVARC Web Site. Article IV, Section A, Numbered Paragraph 2) discusses replacing the Past President position. This paragraph suggests that there would be three At Large Directors as it uses the words "In Addition". This is in conflict with previous statements in the By Laws that enumerate the number of Officers and Directors.)
- 5) Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX