

Minutes of January 3, 2013 Board of Directors meeting of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club:

Kirk Kendrick called the monthly Board of Directors meeting for the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club to order at 7:00 PM on January 3, 2013 at Fuddruckers, 11445 Fountain Lake Drive, Stafford, TX. Attending were Kirk Kendrick, KK2Z (Pres.); Bob Tomlinson, N5JSL (Cor. Sec./Treas.); Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX (Rec. Sec.); Rick Hiller, W5RH (Past Pres.); Terry Leatherland, K5PGF; David Barber, K5NDB (1yr At-Large Dir.); Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM; John Chauvin, K5IZO (Newsletter Editor); Bill Stone, WS5H; Norma Stone, KE5NDN; Sharon Tomlinson, KF5HUF; Charles Frost, K5LBU; Mike Hardwick, N5VCX; Michael Monsour, AC0TX; Ron Litt, K5HM (Radio Sport); Jerry Muller, KF5EYC; and Theresa Williams, KE5MUX (QSL Mgr.)

1. Minutes for the December 2012 meeting were approved as previously distributed by email and appears in the December 2012 newsletter.
2. Treasurer's Report was presented to and accepted by the Board.
3. VP Report (Kendrick):
 - 3.1. January Meeting: 1/18/13, event starts at 6PM, eat at 7, must be out by 9:30, have 4 hour rental.
 - 3.2. February Meeting: How to automate your shack, Alabama shack controlled by iPad; plus G5RV presentation.
 - 3.3. March Meeting: ABR Industries, Mark Abramson
4. Radio Sport (Litt):
 - 4.1. NOD: 2800+ contacts
 - 4.2. NA QSO Party: January 12th CW segment, January 19th Sideband segment.
 - 4.3. PSK Fest: This weekend
5. Old Business:
 - 5.1. Hamfest (Chauvin): March 23rd, now is 2-1/2 months away. Next meeting 3rd Thursday of month at Fuddruckers. Two vendors have provided donations for prizes. Grand Prize, I-Com 7000 w/Auto tuner and separation kit.
 - 5.2. Hamfest (Kendrick): Google search leads people to previous years events and they can't register. Table sales about last years. So far no vendors have complained over table pricing increase.
 - 5.3. Hamfest (Tomlinson): Wants board approval for a credit card reader but doesn't know cost of apparatus. Will be approved when information is available.
 - 5.4. Permanent Home (Chauvin): No action to date. Chauvin sees that time will become available later this month.
6. New Business:
 - 6.1. Awards (Kendrick): There will be an open discussion followed by a closed board meeting.
 - 6.1.1. Open Meeting:
 - 6.1.1.1. There are two candidates for the Loop and Zepp. Kendrick is proposing that there be two awards this year. Discussion to be continued in closed meeting.
 - 6.1.1.2. Kendrick proposed that several one-off recognitions for members beyond the usual awards.
 - 6.1.1.3. Board approved motion that Kendrick can spend up to \$500 for awards for the 2013 banquet.
 - 6.1.2. Closed Meeting: Discussion among board members regarding awards were not recorded.
 - 6.2. Banquet: We are coming to the point where we need to have numbers to the caterer.
 - 6.3. Expiring Membership (Muller): Proposed sending an email with newsletter to those who have expired membership as a method to keep them from disappearing. Chauvin noted that this starts a discussion that has taken place several times over the years. Discussion stopped without resolution.
 - 6.4. Net Control Manager (Leatherland): Jones has resigned as the 3rd Monday Net Control Operator. Leatherland understood that he had volunteered as the 5th Monday NCO, not as net manager. Muller volunteered to be the net manager as long as he is not he is does not have to pick-up the net when the scheduled control operator was unavailable. Stone volunteered to be 3rd Monday for 2 months and will find his own replacement.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX