

Minutes of January 2nd, 2014 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 7:10 PM on January 2nd, 2014 at Fuddrucker's, 11445 Fountain Lake Drive, Stafford, TX. Attending were; Kirk Kendrick, KK2Z (Pres.); Michael Wrenn, K5WRN (V.P.); Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX (Rec. Sec.); Ron Litt, K5HM (2yr At-Large Dir. & Radio Sport); Eddie Runner, NU5K (Webmaster); Suzanne Runner, KF5GWZ; Cameron Mitchell, K5CAM; Michael Monsour, AC0TX (Quartermaster); Ross Lawler, W5HFF; Mark Lawler; Bill Stone, WS5H Norma Stone, KE5NDN; Mike Hardwick, N5VCX; Jerry Muller, KF5EYC; Matt Tatro, K5NGU;

1. Minutes for the December 2013 meeting were approved as previously distributed by email and as appears in the January 2014 newsletter.
2. Treasurer's Report was presented to the board through email from treasurer. It was accepted by the Board.
3. VP Report:
 - 3.1. December 2013: Activity was Home Brew Night.
 - 3.2. January 2014:
 - 3.2.1. Activity will be the Awards Banquet. To date, forty-six have purchased tickets. There will be a Cash Bar before dinner. Bar will be self-funding from external donations to the banquet. The meal will be fajitas, chicken or beef; a desert; and coffee.
 - 3.2.2. Dave McCombs (NA5CW) is the scheduled speaker. He travels and unable to guarantee his appearance. If Dave is unavailable, a Jeopardy or Trivial Pursuit game will be held. As a fun event, all attendees will be given a scavenger hunt challenge when they arrive to help us find the hidden treasures in the museum.
 - 3.2.3. There was a request that we recognize members those who have deceased during previous year. A lengthy discussion followed. An objection was raised that we should be focused on new members, not just on those who have departed. The matter was resolved with decision to have a memorial display that is not at the speaker's podium.
 - 3.2.4. Suggestion was made that a retrospective for the previous year be made of both good and bad. No volunteer was available at time of meeting to effect work on said retrospective.
 - 3.2.5. Awards:
 - 3.2.5.1. Several nominations have been submitted for the standing awards.
 - 3.2.5.2. The new, above 50MHz award, will be named the K1JT Award in honor of Dr. Joe Taylor.
 - 3.2.5.3. The K1JT award will be similar in appearance to the Loop & Zepp award.
 - 3.3. March:
 - 3.3.1. Joint Meeting with Texas DX Society.
 - 3.3.2. See paragraph 6.5 for location and time.
4. Radio Sport: Anarchic Sked set for Saturday, 1/4/2014, 7PM on 14.243MHz. KC4AAA has list of stations and will initiate the contacts.
5. Old Business:
 - 5.1. Repeater Donation: A proposal was made to allow Mr. Fawcett to sell raffle tickets at the banquet, discussion followed. Kendrick had concerns that our contract with the HMNS Sugar Land would not allow any type of financial activity. Kendrick resolved to contract the HMNS and determine if it was allowed.
 - 5.2. Stone: Our charter addresses having a parliamentarian. Bill agreed that this was necessary and had already purchased an edition of Robert's Rules of Order.
6. New business:
 - 6.1. Lawler: Proposed that we should be looking toward Field Day 2014. He suggested that the club procure a second tri-plexer so CW operations can share a Yagi antenna. No board action followed.
 - 6.2. Stone: Proposed club procure a 10 meter directional antenna for Field Day.
 - 6.3. Stone: Proposed that BVARC make a \$100 donation to the Texas DX Society as a thank you for the use of their repeater while the 94 was under repair. Board approved said donation.
 - 6.4. Stone: Future board meetings will be held at Bayland Park Community Center, 6400 Bissonnett.
 - 6.5. Stone: March GMM will be at Tracey Gee's Community Center. Time 7PM to 9PM. Stone will announce venue.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7:54 PM

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Peter Sauermilch, KD5QPX