

## Minutes of the March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Board of Directors meeting of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club

Bill Stone called the monthly Board of Directors meeting for the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club to at 7:10 PM on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 2015, at Bayland Park Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet, Houston 77074. Attending were:

Bill Stone WS5H (Pres), Bob Tomlinson N5JSL (Treas.), Michael Monsour ACØTX (Rec. Sec./Quart.), Scott Medbury KD5FBA (2yr At-Large Dir), Jerry Muller K9GEM (2yr At-Large Dir.), Darrel Kirk KC5JAR (1 yr At-Large Dir), Eddie Runner NU5K Webmaster, Suzanne Runner KF5GWZ, Ron Litt K5HM (Radio Sport), Ross Lawler W5HFF Club Elmer, Michael Wrenn K5WRN, Norma Stone KE5NDN

### Announcements:

Mike Hardwick N5VCX (V.P.) will be back in town after March 15<sup>th</sup>.

### Reports:

- 1.1 A motion was made and passed to accept the February minutes as published in the Newsletter and passed out to the Board.
- 1.2 A motion was made and passed to accept the Treasurer's report.
- 1.3 Hamfest report, a request from John Chavin queried if there were any open spots or uncompleted prep actions. Ron Litt K5HM gave a report that the Hamfest still needs more volunteers. There is lots of interest in Joe Taylor as speaker. There is a need for volunteers to help with the speakers. Shifts will be cut down to one hour so the Hamfest can be enjoyed. A tentative schedule of volunteers will be made this weekend. Need outside signs for "Restrooms". See Rick Hiller W5RH for signs. A comment by Bill Stone "Are there any other comments or discussion ...I appreciate the report, looks like there... are no open spots that cannot be filled there are no uncompleted prep actions, looked real positive..."
- 1.4 Bob Tomlinson N5JSL says there is a need for eight volunteers at the beginning for all the doors. There is a need for a cutoff for the prepaid tickets; deadline seems to be the March 20<sup>th</sup>.  
Discussion to secure the Hamfest cash:  
Jerry Muller K9GEM is primary to secure the Hamfest cash; Michael Monsour ACØTX is backup for this function. Michael Monsour can sign checks for the rare need. Cash from the cash boxes is NOT to be used.  
Bob Tomlinson Treasurer rules:
  - A. No deposits to banks on Saturday of GHH this to be done on Monday when banks are open. We do not have a night deposit.
  - B. Leave all the cash in the individual cash boxes, no mixing. Total of four cash boxes, 1st front door, 2<sup>nd</sup> back door, 3<sup>rd</sup> raffle table, 4<sup>th</sup> BVARC table. People who work the doors are volunteers; generally the vendor door has been worked by co-chairman and/Club President. Those in charge of cash work front doors, one is for cash and one is for prepaid. The box for cash is only at one door. The prepaid door will have a different type of box that receives not cash. Only those people who preregistered will have an envelope with their name on it with their tickets inside. Some vendors do not register their entrance at the time that they purchase their table BUT may have done it separately and their tickets won't be with their table envelope. Since most if not all vendors will come in only through the back door, the preregistration box will need to be there at that door until the main hall opens at 8:00am. It will be very tricky to make the transition from the back to the front in a timely manner.
  - C. Two people count the cash and sign on the sticky paper with a rubber band around cash and sticky note.
  - D. Cash for the security people and the cleaning person(s) will already been dealt with and handled by Rick Hiller for security and Nathan for the setup/clean up fellow
  - E. Any unusual needs, then they take a check but not cash. No cash out for anything from the cash boxes. This is limited to not necessarily all inclusive. Example: No check for extra cash over entrance, check for the exact amount of entrance fee/fees if for more than one. No exceptions.
  - F. If a vendor needs change it would be up to those in charge of the cash to make that decision. All care should be taken to make sure that the currency the vendor wants to change is real and not counterfeit. It has not been done in the past four years and I would not like to see it started now.
- 1.5 Discussion came up about dedicating the Hamfest to 'Frosty'. There was one comment about "What about the other SKs? The BVARC Board gave the Hamfest Committee '*Carte Blanche*' to do as they see fit, with regards to layout and theme, therefore this issue is not a Board issue.

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**Old Business:**

2.1 Jerry Muller K9GEM had to resign from the MSWE event. A new co-chair is needed. This event will probably be at the Fort again.

2.2 The Board supports Cookie with regards to MSWE.

**New Business:**

3.1 Ross Lawler W5HFF discussed that the club call needs to be renewed. Somehow the club was not notified that the KK5W call was in danger of lapsing on April 8th. Need a Field Day committee. TDXS wants to go in with BVARC again.

3.2 Kip Foss N1KIP might have lead on a meeting place in a church in Rosenberg. Mike Hardwick has also been scouting for sites. This discussion is tabled for future discussion.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM

Submitted by Recording Secretary, Michael Monsour ACØTX