

## **Minutes of the May 7th, 2016 Board of Directors meeting of the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club**

Mike Hardwick called the monthly Board of Directors meeting for the Brazos Valley Amateur Radio Club to at 9:15 AM on May 7th, 2016, at Bayland Park Community Center, 6400 Bissonnet, Houston 77074. Attending were: Mike Hardwick N5VCX (President.), Donovan Balli KD5BDZ (Treas.), Michael Monsour ACØTX (Rec.Sec./Quart.), Steve Friedman KF5YYZ (Cor. Sec.), Scott Medbury KD5FBA (2yr At-Large Dir), Jerry Muller K9GEM (1yr At-Large Dir.), Jo L Keener KE7NSB (2yr At-Large Dir), Jon Noxon KF5TFJ (Vice President), Cameron Mitchell K5CAM, Ron Litt K5HM (Radio Sport), Jim Burrough N5DTT (QSL manager)

### **Emergency Business:**

- 1.1 There was discussion concerning jammers on the repeater and how to deal with them and what was done in the past that eliminated the problem.

### **Reports:**

- 2.1 A motion was made and passed to accept the April Minutes.
- 2.2 A motion was made and passed to accept the Treasurers report. The final refund check from the

fairgrounds has not been received yet.

### **Old Business:**

- 3.1 Hamfest stats: Attendance is up by 25%, income was down, costs were up because of more buildings that needed more security, admission and table sales income was down, tail gate income was down. Raffle income was up. Donation table was up.
- 3.2 The Hamfest planning meeting will start in July all the way through March.
- 3.3 There was discussion regarding what the 2017 Hamfest budget should be like.
  - 3.4 Museum Ship Weekend Event is June and Mark Janzer K5MGJ will be the coordinator and the event will be inside the radio room of the Stewart.
- 3.5 A motion was made to approve up to \$600 for MSWE budget.
- 3.6 Field Day: Coordinators are Mike N5MT and Mike Hardwick N5VCX. There will be a man lift for the antenna erecting. Last year the check donation to the Fire Field was returned, there was a suggestion to donate in food.
- 3.7 A motion was made and passed to approve up to \$1000 for Field Day budget.
- 3.8 May meeting: The Art of QSLing.
- 3.9 June meeting: Field Day
- 3.10 Masonic Lodge contract, there seems to be new lights that will be installed. Plumbing needs to be repaired. Need an extra key Handicap spots needs to be expended in front of the Masonic Lodge.

### **New Business:**

- 4.1 In June the first two weekends are MSWE and Ham-COM that conflicts for a Board meeting. Thursday evening on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of June, 7pm Thursday evening via teleconference.
- 4.2 A suggestion was made to have the Skeeters mascot come out for Field Day, for publication and publicity.
- 4.3 Membership renewals. In the past a certificate and badge were given out to Life members. There was suggestion to acknowledge new or renewal memberships. New members should be announced at meetings and also for upgrades.
- 4.4 Ron Litt K5HM announced that he secured the NØD call sign for the solar eclipse event in August 21 2017 and requests support from the club.
- 4.5 Jim Burrough N5DTT, QSL manager, said he will utilize Logbook of the World (LOTW) as the database.

Meeting adjourned at 110:32 AM

**Submitted by Recording Secretary, Michael Monsour ACØTX**