

Paducah Amateur Radio Association

Meeting Minutes

April 14, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:03 PM by PARA Acting President, Bill Parmley, KR8L.

Introductions of all attendees (See attendance sheet for those attending).

Minutes from last meeting were read. Motion made, seconded and passed as read.

Treasurer's report was provided by Greg Englert, KY4A. (See treasurer's report for details). Motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the treasurer's report. Greg will email members corrected membership when he gets some time.

Health and Welfare was discussed.

John Hudson, KO4XJ, has two family in the hospital.

Bruce Hyuck, KS4V, also in the hospital with a fever and dehydration.

Old Business

- AB4IQ gave a quick DX report about YK9B (Syria), 30m CW.
More info @ <http://www.yk9g.com/>
- AB4IQ will be Field Day 2008 chairman. Bill, KY2O, and Lynn, KI4NRJ, will be doing the food again this year.
- PARA Digital (PSK31) Net, Thursday evenings, 8:30PM (0230 UT), 28.120 MHz - Ken, WA9WJL, reminded members to sign in if you are wanting to try PSK31 or brush up on your skills.
- Mike, KY4OEM, talked about the DES antenna tower trailer and the need for some help to finish up the project. Mike said to meet him at 32nd street building to engineer the tower. Bill, KU4RC, Ken, WA9WJL, and Jerry will meet Wednesday at 5PM.
- Rose Marie Humm is the new PARA webmaster for the club.
- Clint, W5CPT, will take over email distribution for the club notices.
- Need for a new President. Mike, KY4OEM, made a motion that Bill Parmley, KR8L, be made president and Paul, KI4GKW, be made Vice President. Motion was made, seconded and approved by all attending.

New Business

- The newly elected President, Bill KR8L, brought up discussion that we need someone to coordinate net control operators and activation criteria of severe weather nets. Further info later.
- It was brought to clubs attention that there is a new APRS repeater, WB9F, in Metropolis.
- Mike, KY4OEM, said that the Paducah NWS needs some amateur operators to man the radios at the NWS offices.
 - * Need to be proficient in net control procedures.
 - * Attend weather spotter classes.
 - * Dave, WB5YYA, volunteered. A sheet was circulated to get names and calls of other members interested in volunteering for NWS help.
- Purchase Area Emergency Traffic and Weather Net – Sunday nights, 9:00PM, 146.060 + (179.9)
Volunteer net control operators are listed on club web site home page (www.w4nja.org).

Mike, KI4NXF, was recognized for taking over the net one Sunday last month, when the scheduled net control operator was unable.

- Mike, KY4OEM, stated that last month he had attended a week long earthquake seminar.

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