

PARA Minutes for June 9, 2008

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Bill, KR8L. The minutes were read by the president and were approved after a correction was made by Mike Thomason.

There were nineteen members present with one visitor, K5PQ Lee.

A rough treasurer's report was give by Greg Englert. .

Beth and Steve Gupton made posters to distribute about PARA's field day activities. Copies were distributed to those present and it was suggested that the poster be e-mailed to the club's roster for a more efficient distribution.

Field Day plans were discussed, and existing plans were finalized. Ed, AB4IQ, is going to contact the City of Paducah to check on the status of our permit for the use of Keiler Park. The rotor, cable, and control box were given to Paul Thomason to check out and put on the DES tower. Greg, KY4A, will get the club's Cushcraft A3 tribander out of storage and also look for the club's bandpass filters.

The state of the PSK-31 net was discussed. Lack of interest in the net poses the question of continuing the net or disbanding it. It was suggested that we experiment with another like slow scan TV. No decision was made.

Tracy, N4IL, reported on his effort to document procedures and guidelines concerning the operation of the two meter weather net. Guidelines that were discussed were: when to call the net, who is to call the net, net manager, and guidelines when conducting the net. It was suggested to co-ordinate this plan with the McCracken County disaster plan. During this discussion, the question of repeater remote control was discussed. It was decided that the controller be programmed to allow remote shutdown via password protected commands.

The meeting adjourned at 8:08. Following adjournment, Ed gave a program on the operation of N1MM logging software that we plan to use to log our Field Day contacts.

Net Controls were assisgned: June 15 -KG4UKB June 22 -KU4RC June 29 - KI4ZAK July 6 - WA9WJL July 13 -N4FZ

Submitted by KS4V