

Paducah Amateur Radio Association

Meeting Minutes – January 12, 2009

Minutes by Bill, KY2O

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Bill, KR8L.

The minutes were read and approved. The minutes from the last meetings are posted on the PARA web site, www.W4NJA.org.

The treasurer was not in attendance. The full treasurer's report is on file and available from the treasurer, Greg KY4A. Dues were collected for 2009. Full report next month.

No Health and Welfare reports.

There were 25 members present, sufficient for a quorum (1/3) for transaction of business.

Old Business

- A brief report on the PARA Christmas Party was provided by Mike, KY4OEM. Due to the inclement weather only nine braved the snow and slippery streets to attend.
- PARA 147.060 repeater – Paul, KI4GKW, has reprogrammed the repeater to reduce tail and added to the announcement tone information. Paul is looking into more advanced features such as special announcements and weather information.
- APRS update – Ed, AB4IQ stated that the APRS radio/TNC mounted in Lourdes has been updated and is operational.
- Audio Patch Box – Paul, KI4GKW, is still in the process of building the boxes.
- PARA Constitution and By-Laws – Bill, KY2O, reported no activity on revision last month. John, KO4XJ mentioned that the PARA Constitution also needs to be revised to address dues and election timing to ensure there are sufficient paid members to represent a quorum for the election.
- Fox Hunt – Bill, KY2O, purchased a preassembled transmitter/amplifier and demonstrated its operation to the club. Details of the components can be found at <http://www.silcom.com/~pelican2/PicoDopp/MICROHUNT.htm>. Club made a motion that was seconded to reimburse Bill, KY2O, \$175.00 for the fox hunt transmitter.
- Sky Warn – During Sky Warn the Paducah Weather Service contacted 37 other NOAA sites. NOAA Skywarn link: <http://www.crh.noaa.gov/hamradio/index.php>

New Business

- John, KO4XJ, reported that he had been appointed as the Legislature Action Coordinator (LAP) for Kentucky. This is part of the Legislation Action Administration (LAA).
- Club Station – Mike, KY4OEM reported that the old National Guard Amory could potentially be utilized in the future, but there has been no movement in transferring the property title from the state to the county. Nothing can move forward until this happens.

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- PARA Repeater – Walt, AI4SP, the club repeater custodian reported receiving a request for the club to pay for membership in the South East Repeater Association

PARA Elections Results – 2009

Elected Officers will assume responsibilities following meeting.

President:	John, KO4XJ
Vice President:	Paul, KI4GKW
Secretary:	Beth, KI4ZAK
Treasurer:	Greg, KY4A
Programs:	Barry, W4IBI

Sunday Evening W4NJA Emergency Net Control responsibility follows:

1/18/09 – Beth, KI4ZAK
1/25/09 – Dave, WB5YYI
2/1/09 – John, KO4XJ
2/8/09 – Ken, WA9WJA

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM.