

MSU ARC Meeting – October 4, 2016

President, Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

In Attendance:

W8IBT, Debbie Barton

KJ4TKL, James Flood

KK4PDL, Mike Lyons

KKRAAF, David Henley

WD8OWA, Bob Aldrich

KD6UNL, Larry Call

AD6QJ, Larry Morris

K9OIM, Bob Atkinson

KO4ZE, John P. Hart

KM4NUY, Jerry W. Johnson

KY4SR, Sue Reimer

KM4JZX, Richard E. Palmer

KK4BXG, Kevin Bailey

KG4OCJ, Valerie Barrett

WB8SKP, Denis Barton

WB4ZZT, John Piper

KK4BKD, Josh Kerr

W9RA, Don Moriarty

KJ4OZU, Candy Aldrich

KJ4W, Bill Call

KJ4EBQ, Gary Cooper

Helen Atkinson, Guest

Daniel Rook, Guest

KG4SXQ, Al Grant

KOZL, Dan Reimer

KA4WWS, Tim Edmonson

Jeff Robinson, Guest

WB7D, Dale Barrett

Question of the Day was “Mesh Networking – What do you know/want to know? Would you be interested in experimenting with it?”

**Secretary's Report** – Motion to accept minutes as submitted by Acting Secretary, Debbie Barton, W8IBT and emailed by Bill Call, KJ4W, on 9/7/2016 was made by Bill Call, KJ4W and seconded by Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Bill Call, KJ4W, reported depositing a check for \$15.00 and our current balance is \$2,347.69. Al Grant, KG4SXQ made a motion to accept report, Time Edmonson, KA4WWS, seconded and motion carried.

**Systems Report**, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported all systems good, but he still has the EchoLink on his desk and will get to it as soon as he can.

**QSL Manager Report**, Candy Aldrich, KJ4OZU, reported 20 new QSL's. 1-Field Day 2013, 1-Field Day 2014, 1-KY QSO Party 2015 and 17-Field Day 2016.

**VE Report**, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported no test sessions were held during the last month, but one is scheduled for after tonight's meeting.

**Net Manager**, Chuck Williams, KJ4HBK, not in attendance but submitted his report to Josh Kerr, KK4BKD as follows: 4 sessions, 54 stations, 0 traffic, 122 minutes, 109.8 operator hours.

**Net Manager**, John P. Hart, KO4ZE, nothing to report.

**Hambits** was a video on “What is the internet?” A look back to the mid 1990’s and what reporters were saying about the new technology “the internet”.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Dayton Hamvention, May 19-21, 2017 - I am checking on getting rooms, but it was not listed on their site yet, so I have emailed my contact at the University. I’ll send a message out as soon as I hear anything. It is usually about \$105 per night for a two bedroom or \$140 per night for a three bedroom apartment. Each bedroom has 2 twin beds, bedding, towels and a refrigerator are provided. You need to bring your own coffee machine and cups, if you want coffee in your room. The kitchen does not have dishes. John P Hart, KO4ZE mentioned possibly taking a side trip to see the 1,000,000 watt transmitter used in broadcasting and take a tour of the facility.

ARRL membership special, use code RN3 when renewing your membership and choose a free gift.

Christmas Party – I did some research and had four places with prices to choose from. Rich Palmer, KM4JZX made a motion to have the Christmas Party at Tom’s Grille, Tim Edmonson seconded and motion passed. Our Christmas Party will be at Tom’s Grille on December 6<sup>th</sup>, arriving about 6 pm, order about 6:30 with a Chinese Auction to follow about 7:30. I have a sign-up sheet at our next meeting, or you can email me if you plan to attend with how many are accompanying you and I’ll put you on the sign-up sheet before the meeting. Remember the gift is exchange is \$10.00 limit or 30# of white elephant items.

**Ham of the Year** nominations were held. The HOY committee members are Denis Barton, WB8SKP; Bob Aldrich, WD8OWA; and Josh Kerr, KK4BKD.

Bill Call, KJ4W nominated Dale Barrett, WB7D, seconded by ??

Al Grant, KG4SXQ nominated Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, Tim declined as he has won this award before.

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Dale Barrett, WB7D, nominated John P. Hart, KO4ZE, John declined the nomination.

Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS motioned to close nominations and Bill Call, KJ4W seconded. All in favor and nominations closed. I guess it’s not a secret this year so, congratulations to Dale Barrett, WB7D he will be presented with a plaque at the Christmas Party.

**Program:** Mesh Networking – an explanation of mesh networking what it is and how it works was presented by John P. Hart, KO4ZE followed by a demonstration given by Josh Kerr, KK4BKD. A network was set-up and we were invited to try it out.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Barton, W8IBT, Temporary Acting Secretary