

MSU ARC Meeting – April 4, 2017

President, Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm.

In Attendance: This is from the sign-in sheet and the people I can remember being in attendance, because not everyone remembered to sign-in.

W8IBT, Debbie Barton

KK4BKD, Josh Kerr

KK4PDL, Mike Lyons

KF4GCD, Robin Jones

KY4SR, Sue Reimer

KA4WWS, Tim Edmonson

KD6UNL, Larry Call

KJ4TKL, James Flood

KM4ZTT, Joanna Bailey

WD8OWA, Bob Aldrich

W1KYL, Steve Sacco

KM4JZX, Richard Palmer

KM4YCU, Jeff Robinson

KG4OCI, Jonathan Barrett

WB8SKP, Denis Barton

KK4LLO, Betty Enoch

KJ4EBQ, Gary Cooper

Bonnie Allen, Guest

K0ZL, Dan Reimer

KK4AAF, David Henley,

KJ4W, Bill Call

KM4ZTY, George James

KK4BXG, Kevin Bailey

KJ4OZU, Candy Aldrich

Julie Sacco, Guest

K4CHW, Chuck Williams

KM4NUY, Jerry Johnson

WB4ZZT, John Piper

Question of the Day was “What educational activity would you like us to conduct during Field Day?”

Bill Call, KJ4W, is taking orders for Field Day T-Shirts or other ARRL Field Day Items. Here is the link to see what is available to order <http://www.arrl.org/shop/Field-Day-Supplies/>

**Secretary’s Report** – Motion to accept minutes as submitted by Acting Secretary, Debbie Barton, W8IBT and emailed on 3/7/2017 was made by James Flood, KJ4TKL and seconded by Rich Palmer, KM4JMX, motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report** – Bill Call, KJ4W, reported a deposits and our new balance is \$2706.19 Mike Lyons, KK4PDL made a motion to accept report, Rich Palmer, KM4JMX seconded and motion carried.

**Systems Report**, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported the 94 repeater still has external noise at the site causing periodic receiver problems probably related to the cell phone towers/antennas. He is looking at changing the antenna, but needs to wait until the wind is from the south. The 440 repeater has been returned to it’s original spot in Faculty Hall. Nothing has been done with the Hamlin repeater, will bet back to it soon. Mesh network has made a little progress with 2.4 Ghz units at Faculty Hall and Fine Arts.

**Staff Advisor Report**, None

**QSL Manager Report**, Josh Kerr, KK4BKD reported no QSL’s received.

**VE Report**, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported no exams have been conducted or scheduled for this month.

**Net Manager**, Chuck Williams, KJ4HBK, reported March - 4 sessions with 57 station s- 0 traffic - 151 minutes, 143.45 - operator hours. We also had 5 Skywarn Nets with 91 stations -204 minutes, 371.58 - operator hours.

**Ham Bits**: Josh Kerr, KK4BKD gave a presentation on our new website <https://k4msu.com/about>

**Upcoming Hamfests:** Memphis, TN Free Fest on 4/8/17; Van leaving at 6:00 am from the I & T Building Parking lot and 2 seats are still available, contact Josh if you want to join us.

Dayton, OH on 5/19-5/21

**Old Business:** No old business

**New Business :** Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS made a motion, seconded by Bill Call to pay up to \$50.00 per year to cover the cost of the domain name for the website. This year the cost is \$36.00 and the club will reimburse Josh Kerr, KK4BKD for the expense.

Field Day Committee members had a Field Day planning meeting on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 5:00 pm at Captain D's. Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, gave the following report: MSU ARC will be classed as 3A plus a GOTA station, Steve will contact the Boy Scouts, Debbie will be in charge of Food (the club will provide burgers, brats and hot dogs along with condiments) and she will have a sign-up sheet at the next meeting. Denis & Dale will set-up the computer network and update the software, Rich & Chuck will handle the media contacts, Josh will set-up an operator schedule, Dale & Valerie will provide the solar set-up, Chuck will see about getting batteries, Tim will bring a large flat screen display and will also conduct a raffle, Bill will take care of the CERT paperwork and oversee the pick-up and return of the equipment. On June 17<sup>th</sup> the committee will meet at our regular meeting room to set-up the rigs and computers to be sure everything is in working order.

**Election of Officers followed:**

Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, nominated Mike Lyons, KK4PDL for President, David Henley seconded. No other nominations were made and motion passed.

Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, nominated Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, for Vice President, seconded by Chuck Williams, K4CHW, motion passed. Tim suggested training Steve as a future Vice President.

Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, nominated Debbie Barton, W8IBT, seconded by Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, motion passed with dissenting votes, while Debbie was absent and Denis Barton, WB8SKP was taking notes.

Chuck Williams, K4CHW, nominated Bill Call, KJ4W, seconded by John Piper, WB4ZZT, motion passed.

Web Master & QSL Manager, Josh Kerr was asked if he would take these positions and he agreed. Thanks Josh you have the positions.

Net Manager, Chuck Williams, KA4CHW, was asked to continue in his position and he accepted. Thanks for continuing the good job Chuck.

NEW POSITION: Media Person – Rich Palmer was asked to fill this position as he has experience doing this in his job with the Sheriff's Department. Rich agreed to fill this position. Thank you Rich.

**New Member Application:** We had 1 new member applications. Jonathan Barrett, KG4OCI. Bill Call, KJ4W, motioned to accept his application for full membership as he is an MSU employee, seconded by Tim Edmondson, KA4WWS, motion passed.

**Meeting adjourned.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Barton, W8IBT, Secretary