

MSU ARC Meeting – August 1, 2017

President, Mike Lyons, KK4PDL called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

In Attendance:

W8IBT, Debbie Barton

KK4BKD, Josh Kerr

KB4OCU, Jonathan Barrett

KK4PDL, Mike Lyons

KF4GCD, Robin Jones

KY4SR, Sue Reimer

KA4WWS, Tim Edmonson

KD6UNL, Larry Call

KJ4TKL, James Flood

WD8OWA, Bob Aldrich

K9OIM, Bob Atkinson

KM4JZX, Richard Palmer

K4ADW, Richmond Beam

Casey Lyon, Guest

WB8SKP, Denis Barton

KJ4SYV, Charlton Young

KG4OCJ, Valerie Barrett

KJ4EBQ, Gary Cooper

Bonnie Allen, Guest

K0ZL, Dan Reimer

KK4AAF, David Henley,

KJ4W, Bill Call

KM4NUY, Jerry Johnson

KJ4OZU, Candy Aldrich

Helen Atkinson, Guest

KJ4ZTC, Jimmy Sholar

AD6QT, Larry Morris

KI4SII, Powell Henderson

Question of the Day was “What are you doing for the eclipse or do you care about it?”

Secretary's Report – Motion to accept the minutes as submitted by Debbie Barton, W8IBT and emailed on 6/7/2017 was made by Josh Kerr, KK4BKD and seconded by Charlton Young, KJ4SYV, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Bill Call, KJ4W, reported making two deposits (exam fee \$7.00 and dues & raffle \$175.00) totaling \$182.00 and 4 expenses (IC 7300 Tim Edmonson \$1,100.00, Business Cards \$47.70, Debbie Barton Food for Field Day \$71.49 and Flower for John Piper's Funeral \$37.10) totaling \$1,256.29 with a current balance of \$1,666.96

Systems Report, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported changing the antenna on the 94 repeater with no noticeable change in noise floor. Could not do additional testing as test equipment was not working. Plans to replace the Hamlin antenna before the eclipse.

Staff Advisor Report, No report.

QSL Manager Report, Sue Reimer, KY4SR reported no QSL's received.

VE Report, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported no exams have been conducted although we have one scheduled for after tonight's meeting.

Net Manager, No report.

Ham Bits: Bill Call, KJ4W, looking for hams to check 641 & 80 for traffic problems on August 21st (eclipse). KJ4BKD will be net control from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm on 146.94 Mhz.

Upcoming Hamfests: Huntsville, AL – August 19th, the club will provide a mini bus for members wanting to attend. The bus will leave from the parking lot at the IT building at 5:00 am. The cost will be \$30-\$40 per person, please contact Josh Kerr, KK4BKD to sign up. The bus will hold 15 people.

New Business: Rich Palmer, KM4JZX, will use his press media experience to relate to local media our involvement in monitoring traffic conditions during the eclipse.

An October Fox Hunt will be discussed at the next meeting, September 5th.

Program: "The Solar Terrestrial Widget" by Bob Aldrich, WD8OWA. K4MSU.com has a link to this information and also Bob's Powerpoint presentation will be uploaded to the site.

Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, gave a report of our activities on Field Day and showed where to find it on our website. There is also a video of the 2017 MSUARC Field Day activities. ARRL will publish the Field Day results in QST in about the November issue.

Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, motioned to adjourn, Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, seconded.

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Barton, W8IBT, Secretary