

MSU ARC Meeting – October 3, 2017

Treasurer, Bill Call, KJ4W, called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm. He is filling in due to President, Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, is in Texas on Red Cross business and Vice President, Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, is fishing in Florida.

In Attendance:

W8IBT, Debbie Barton	WB8SKP, Denis Barton
WB7D, Dale Barrett	KG4OCJ, Valerie Barrett
KG4OCI, Jonathan Barrett	KM4ZTY, George James
KM4YCU, Jeff Robinson	KJ4EBQ, Gary Cooper
KF4GCD, Robin Jones	Bonnie Allen, Guest
KY4SR, Sue Reimer	N4ZY, Dan Reimer
KJ4ZTC, Jimmy Sholar	KJ4W, Bill Call
KJ4TKL, James Flood	KM4NUY, Jerry Johnson
K9OIM, Bob Atkinson	Helen Atkinson, Guest
KC4TIE, Mary Husfield	K9MMW, Bill Husfield
K4ADW, Richmond Beam	AD6QJ, Larry Morris
KK4BXG, Kevin Bailey	KM4ZTT, Joanna Bailey
K4JVJ, Julie Sacco	W1KYL, Steve Sacco
KY4DW, David Willems	AF0SI, Dale Pentecost
Jarrald Frields, Guest (not sure of spelling)	

Question of the Day was “What Digital Modes Have You Used in Ham Radio?”

**Ham Bits:** <https://physics.princeton.edu/pulsar/K1JT>

**Secretary's Report** – Motion to accept the minutes as corrected and emailed on 9/7/17 by Debbie Barton, was made by James Flood, KJ4TKL, seconded by Jimmy Sholar, KJ4ZTC and the motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report** – Bill Call, KJ4W, reported writing a check for \$14.00 VE fees, which leaves a balance of \$1,516.40.

**Systems Report**, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported no work done on any of the repeaters with Hamlin working well.

**Staff Advisor Report**, No report.

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

**VE Report**, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported one testing session after last month's meeting with two people taking exams. Results were 1 Extra Class and 1 Technician Class license achieved. No requests for testing tonight.

**Net Manager Report**, as submitted to Bill Call, KJ4W by Chuck Williams, K4CHW. September 2017 – 4 sessions, 53 stations, 0 traffic, 134 minutes, 118 operator hours.

**Upcoming Hamfests:** Bowling Green Hamfest – October 7<sup>th</sup> at the Sloan Center, Julie & Steve Sacco are going and will have room for three more. If anyone is interested please contact them.

**Old Business:** CERT course in underway with a completion date of November 9<sup>th</sup>. The following Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 9:00 pm, an Amateur Radio Licensing course will start a will run for about 4 weeks.

A Fox Hunting Antenna Project will be held on October 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am to build a tape measure antenna.

An October Fox Hunt is planned for October 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:00 pm leaving from the IT building parking lot, with a potluck to follow. Everyone bring a dish to pass. I will ask Candy Aldrich, KJ4OZU, to head the Potluck. The following people are interested in participating: Dale Pentecost, AF0SI, (fox); George James, KM4ZTY; Gary Cooper, KJ4EBQ; Bob Aldrich, WD8OWA; Candy Aldrich, KJ4OZU; Bill Call, KJ4W, Jeff Robinson, KM4YCU. I may have missed someone, but everyone is invited to participate in either the Fox Hunt or the Potluck or both. Complete rules for the Fox Hunt are on the website [www.k4msu.com](http://www.k4msu.com)

**New Business:** Ham of the Year nominations.

Jonathan Barrett, KG4OCI nominated Larry Call, KD6UNL

George James, KM4ZTY nominated Dan Reimer N4ZY

Bob Atkinson, K9OIM nominated Robin Jones KF4GCD

Dale Barrett, WB7D nominated Mary Husfield, KC4TIE

James Flood, KJ4TKL made a motion to close nominations; George James, KM4ZTY seconded and motion passed. The qualities of each candidate were presented after which a run-off election was held, due to more than three people being nominated, per selection process rules which can be found on the [www.k4msu.com](http://www.k4msu.com) website.

Election of Ham of the Year will be held next month with the following candidates:

Larry Call, KD6UNL; Dan Reimer, N4ZY and Mary Husfield, KC4TIE; the winner will be announced at the Christmas Party.

2017 Kentucky QSO Party is scheduled for November 11<sup>th</sup> from 1400 zulu to 0200 zulu, November 12<sup>th</sup>.

ARRL Sweepstakes are: CW – November 4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup>, Phone 18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>, for more information go to

[www.arrrl.org/sweepstakes](http://www.arrrl.org/sweepstakes)

Applications for memberships received:

Linda Timmons, KK4NZN, Extra Class, motion to accept by James Flood, KJ4TKL; seconded by Denis Barton, WB8SKP; all in favor and motion passed.

Dale Pentecost, AF0SI, Extra Class, motion to accept by Dale Barrett, WB7D; seconded by George James, KM4ZTY; all in favor and motion passed.

Welcome to the club.

**Program:** “A Cross-Band Repeater System using a Raspberry Pi and BaoFeng Radios.” By Dale Barrett, WB7D and Jonathan Barrett, KG4OCI was presented.

**Meeting adjourned at 8:53 pm**

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Barton, W8IBT, Secretary