

These are the revised minutes of the MSU ARC meeting of January 2, 2018.

President Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Those present:

Bob Aldrich, WD8OWA	Candy Aldrich, KJ4OZU
Jerry Johnson, KM4NUY	David Willems, KX4DW
Mike Lyons, KK4PDL	James Flood, KJ4TKL
Steve Sacco, W1KYL	Julie Sacco, K4JVJ
Eric Rich, KN4HHY	Darcy Rich, KN4IRW
Logan Rich, Guest	Laken Rich, Guest
Gary Cooper, KJ4EBQ	Todd Carr, W4TZX
Scott Holt, KN4IRQ	Larry Call, KD6UNL
Elysa Elkins, KN4IRP	Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS
Charlotte Edmonson, KY4GAL	Bill Call, KJ4W
Dan Reimer, N4ZY	Sue Reimer, KY4SR
Brent Armstrong, KM4ZUJ	Lisa Armstrong, KM4ZTS
Tracy D. McKinney, KN4IRT	Steven S. Dabbs, KN4IRN
Don Edwards, KN4IRO	Kenneth Cohoon, KN4IRM
Richard Palmer, KM4JZX	Josh Kerr, KK4BKD
Denis Barton, WB8SKP	

Question of the day: What ham-related gift did you get for Christmas?

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the November 7, 2017 minutes by Debra Barton W8IBT, was made by Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, seconded by James Flood, KJ4TKL, and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: VE fees for the November 7 exam session of \$7, and the December 21 session of \$119 were paid. A replacement battery for the UPS on the EchoLink computer was purchased at Murray Wholesale Electric Supply for \$36.03. Treasurer deposited \$230.00, mostly exam fees. Treasurer reported the balance of the Club funds was \$1,539.37. Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Larry Call, KD6UNL, seconded by Bob Aldrich, WD8OWA, and the motion carried.

Also discussed was the yearly payment for the K4MSU.com website at \$48.00. Motion to pay was made by Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, seconded by Mike Lyons, KK4PDL and the motion carried.

Systems Report: Working on the 440 repeater to get Echolink back up. The new computer and new repeater interface have been installed and programmed. The MSU IT people need to open a port for it to work again. 146.940 repeater still has noise issues. 147.240 (Hamlin) is working well.

Staff Advisor Report: No report received.

QSL Report: Sue Reimer, KY4SR, QSL Manager, reported 4 cards received and sent.

VE Report: 12 new hams in December, 1 in November, and 2 upgrades! Two tests are scheduled after the meeting.

Net Report (received after the meeting): for December 2017 there were 4 sessions – 62 stations – 138 minutes – 142.6 operator hours. For November there were 4 sessions – 52 stations – 107 minutes – 92.73 operator hours.

Old Business: Field Day report: 3rd in the state for our class! Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, President, summarized the rules and regulations of Field Day for the new Hams. Also, club members told of different things the club does during the 2-day activity. Field Day committee members include: Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, Mike Lyon, KK4PDL, Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, Bill Call, KJ4W, Rich Palmer, KM4JZX, and Eric Rich, KN4HHY.

New Business: Field Day 2018 is June 23 – 24, 2018. (Saturday and Sunday)

Our next MSU ARC meeting will include a “Meet and Greet” for the new Hams. New applicants for Club membership tonight:

Charles Todd Carr, W4TZX
Don Edwards, KN4IRO
Steven Dabbs, KN4IRN
Eric Rich, KN4HHY
Logan Rich

Tracy D. McKinney, KN4IRT
Scott Holt, KN4IRQ
Kenneth Cohoon, KN4IRM
Darcy Rich, KN4IRW
Elysa Elkins, KN4IRP

Motion to accept new applicants was made by Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, seconded by Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS and motion carried.

Please let Debra Barton, W8IBT, Secretary, know what you would like to bring for the Meet and Greet. Rich Palmer is bringing a dessert and I am bringing appetizers.

The program this evening was by Dan Reimer, N4ZY. Titled: The Care and Feeding of Lightning

Dan did an excellent job in presenting this subject and we all learned from his experience!

Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, will be putting this presentation on our website: k4msu.com

Before closing, a discussion was held on holding a General Class license study course, to be followed by a CERT training. Bill Call emailed club members on January 4, 2018, with the schedule for both. Also, a Skywarn class will be taking place February 20, 2018, Tuesday, in the Freed Curd Auditorium in the I&T building (down the hall from the classroom).

The meeting was adjourned by Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, President, at 8:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Candace Aldrich, KJ4OZU, temporary secretary (for one night only!)