

MSU ARC Meeting – March 6, 2018

The meeting was called to order by President, Mike Lyons, KK4PDL, at 7:00 pm

49 people in attendance:

W8IBT, Debbie Barton	WB8SKP, Denis Barton
WB7D, Dale Barrett	KG4OCJ, Valerie Barrett
KN4IRO, Don Edwards	KN4IRN, Steven Dabbs
KN4IRT, Tracy McKinney	KK4LLO, Betty Enoch
KJ4SYV, Charlton Young	KJ4EBQ, Gary Cooper
KD6UNL, Larry Call	KM4ZTU, Barbara Call
KY4SR, Sue Reimer	N4ZY, Dan Reimer
WA4IJU, Brenda Call	KJ4W, Bill Call
KM4YCU, Jeff Robinson	KM4ZTW, Sam Ford
WD8OWA, Bob Aldrich	KJ4OZU, Candy Aldrich
KM4NUY, Jerry Johnson	Michael Jones, Guest
Mitchell Moss, Guest	AD6QJ, Larry Morris
K4JVJ, Julie Sacco	W1KYL, Steve Sacco
KK4PDL, Mike Lyons	KN4JZX, Richard Palmer
KN4IRM, Kenneth Cohoon	KK4BKD, Josh Kerr
KN4HHY, Eric Rich	KK4SLL, JT Hearn
Todd Hackathorn, Guest	K9AVN, Art Nolan
KM4ZTY, George James	KM4ZUJ, Brent Armstrong
KN4IRS, Elizabeth Leggett	KN4IRR, Lorraine Leggett
KG4OCI, Jonathon Barrett	KI4BBT, John Barrett
AF0SI, Dale Pentecost	KJ4TKL, James Flood
K9MMW, Bill Husfield	KC4TIE, Mary Husfield
KF4GCD, Robin Jones	Bonnie Allen, Guest
KY4GAL, Charlotte Edmonson	KA4WWS, Tim Edmonson
KN4IRQ, Scott Holt	

Question of the Day was “How long have you been a HAM?”

Secretary’s Report – Motion to accept minutes emailed on 2/7/18, was made by Bill Call, KJ4W, seconded by Josh Kerr, KK4BKD and the motion carried.

Treasurer’s Report – Bill Call, KJ4W, reported writing one check for \$35.00 for exams to W5YI, one deposits of \$165.00 for dues and testing fees for a balance if \$2013.49. Motion to accept by Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS and seconded by Charlton Young, KJ4SYV. Motion carried.

Systems Report, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported no changes on Hamlin. 440 repeater is working okay. 94 repeater has been switched to the new Fusion repeater and the noise has seemingly disappeared. Bill will do more testing increasing the power output of the repeater to see if that affects the noise level. If the noise level stays down he is planning to install the Fusion repeater within a lockable cabinet for security. He also showed a picture of the location of the repeater and the equipment that is installed there. The 94 repeater is housed in the elevator room of Fine Arts, where it’s been since 1971.

Faculty Advisor Report, No Report

QSL Manager Report, Sue Reimer, KY4SR, reported no new QSL cards received.

VE Report, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported one testing session scheduled for after tonight's meeting with 15 examinees. One test session last month with 5 examinees, resulting in 3 new licenses and 1 upgrade.

Net Manager Report, Chuck Williams, K4CHW, 4 sessions, 77 stations, 148 minutes and 189.93 operator hours. One Skywarn Net on 2/24/18 for 28 operator hours.

Old Business: Field Day Committee Meeting, 5pm at Captain D's, April 3rd. The following people are on the committee: Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS; Mike Lyons, KK4PDL; Eric Rich, KN4HHY; Rich Palmer, KM4JZX; Josh Kerr, KK4BKD; Steve Sacco, W1KYL; Julie Sacco, K4JVJ; Don Edwards, KN4IRO; Steven Dabbs, KN4IRN; Denis Barton, WB8SKP and Debbie Barton, W8IBT.

New Business: Next meeting is April 3rd and it will be election of officers. Please consider running for office. We will definitely be looking for people to fill the President, Vice President and Secretary positions. Let's make this the highest attendance at a meeting yet.

Hamfests coming up are Union City, March 24th and Memphis (Bartlett Station) April 14th. Tim Edmonson suggested we get together and get a table to sell items. Please contact him if you are interested.

Ham Bits: "Reverse" was presented by Bill Call, KJ4W. Bill explained what operating reverse is (when on a repeater) and demonstrated how it works.

Program: "Intro to Digital Data Modes" was presented by Josh Kerr, KK4BKD. This was a slide show and lecture explaining the different digital modes [i.e. PSK31, RTTY, PACTOR (1,2,3 &4), Hellschreiber, Packet, Olivia, ALE JT65, and FT8 to name a few). All you need to operate digital is a transceiver, external sound card interface, computer and software (a lot of which is free).

Next month's program will be "Weather Spotter Nets – Do's and Don'ts"

Bill Call, KJ4W also told us how to sign up for Code Red. Go to Callaway County's website and click on the Code Red button (here is a link <https://public.coderedweb.com/cne/en-US/0C2600C80C00>). This will enable you to be notified during a Callaway county emergency.

Meeting adjourned and test session followed.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Barton, W8IBT, Secretary