

MSU ARC Meeting – October 2, 2018

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

Attendance: 36 people (signed in, I think there was a couple of late arrivals that didn't sign in).

W8IBT, Debbie Barton	WB8SKP, Denis Barton
KJ4OZU, Candy Aldrich	WD8OWA, Bob Aldrich
KJ4TKL, James Flood	KK4PDL, Mike Lyons
WB7D, Dale Barrett	KG4OCJ, Valerie Barrett
W1KYL, Steve Sacco	KN4IRT, Tracy McKinney
KA4WWS, Tim Edmonson	KY4GAL, Charlotte Edmonson
KN4JMM, Todd Hackathorn	KN4MWE, Jana Hackathorn
NR4R, Sue Reimer	N4ZY, Dan Reimer
KK4BKD, Josh Kerr	K4MKY, Don Edwards
KJ4SYV, Charlton Young	KD6UNL, Larry Call
KN4NOX, Ben Byrley	KN4NSQ, Logan Pawlik
K9OIM, Bob Atkinson	Helen Atkinson, Guest
KN4PGA, Dave Laframboise	KJ4EBQ, Gary Cooper
AF0SI, Dale Pentecost	KN4KYU, Mitchell Moss
W4TZX, Todd Carr	KN4LCZ, Carmack Johnson
K4CHW, Chuck Williams	KN4IRU, Diana Mishica
N3NRJ, James "Smitty" Smith	KY4EQN, Shea Porr
KJ4W, Bill Call	W9RA, Don Moriarty
KM4JZX, Rich Palmer	

Secretary's Report – Motion to accept minutes emailed, was made by Charlton Young, KJ4SV and seconded by Chuck Williams, K4CHW; the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report – Bill Call, KJ4W, reported writing a check for \$7.00 for VE fee, giving us a current balance of \$2,486.70

Systems Report, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported all repeaters doing okay. Had to work on the Echolink computer several times.

Faculty Advisor Report, No report.

QSL Manager Report, Sue Reimer, NR4R, reported receiving an additional 11 QSL cards, bringing our field day total to 241. She also purchased stamps and 4 photo albums to keep the QSL cards in and only one is still empty, with 2-3/4 books filled. The club had approved these expenses last month and will be reimbursing her.

VE Report, Bill Call, KJ4W, reported an exam session at the conclusion of the CERT training for Dave Laframboise. He passed his Technician Class license exam and has been issued KN4PGA. Congratulations Dave. A test session is being conducted at the conclusion of tonight's meeting.

Net Manager Report, Chuck Williams, K4CHW, reported 4 sessions, 117 stations, 191 minutes, 372.45 operator hours.

Old Business: Bill Call, KJ4W, and six other hams dug holes and poured concrete (labeled K4MSU) for the Mayfield repeater cabinet. Rich Palmer, KM4JZX, has installed the equipment and the cabinet should be ready to install at the site by this weekend.

Fox Hunt: October 20th, 2:00 pm, parking lot (used for our meetings). Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, will be the fox. Potluck to follow, we usually have soup/chili, crackers, etc. Bring your crockpots and we can set-up IT 237 (our old meeting room) and plug them in before the Fox Hunt starts. The potluck will start between 4:30 – 5:00 pm. Plan on coming to the potluck even if you don't want to participate in the Fox Hunt.

Program: “HF Propagation” by Dan Reimer, N4ZY. Dan explained the ionosphere, sunspot cycles, solar flus, K-index and A-index and recommended the following sites for current propagation information.

www.swpc.noaa.gov www.arrl.org/propagation-of-rf-signals www.spaceweatherwoman.com
www.dxmaps.com www.wbnek.com

New Business: , Bill Call, KJ4W, reminded everyone that next month we will vote for Ham of the Year. Criteria is on the website. Nominations opened and Tim Edmonson, KA4WWS, nominated Rich Palmer and Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, nominated Dan Reimer. Chuck Williams made a motion to close nominations and Charlton Young, KJ4SYV seconded and all were in favor. Motions closed. Next month Tim Edmonson and Josh Kerr will detail why they feel their nominee should receive the award and a secret ballot will follow.

Charlton Young, KJ4SYV, made a motion to adjourn, Josh Kerr, KK4BKD, seconded and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debbie Barton, W8IBT, Secretary