



Minutes of the
Mid-MO Amateur Radio Club, Inc.
Jefferson City, MO

Meeting of: February 11, 2010

Called to order by: President, Mike Miller - WAØZOG

In attendance: AF6GT – Chuck Lahmeyer, K9ZTV – Kent Trimble, KØGOB – Roger Volk, KAØZIY – Ron Brizendine, KBØQHZ – Joe Betros, KC7ARR – Richard Manning, KCØPET – Rick Bennett, KCØLZG – Owen Toalson, KCØUZA – Mike McCrady, KDØAJF – Judy Anderson, KDØDDY – Nancie McAnaug, KDØDSJ – Randall Rolle, KDØGRM – Stephen Hick, KDØGRS – Brian Tordoff, KDØITI – Jonny Johnson, KDØJDH – Hadley Stonner, KDØJDI – David Stonner, KIØY – Mark Eberle, KMØS – Mike Thayer, NØBIV – Don Atkinson, NØJBF – Rich Kreiser, NØKSF – Jack Boswell, NØSS – Tom Hammond, NØTKN – Jim Biggerstaff, NØZH – Mike Dolson, NMØX – Eric Raub, W4RK – Bill Gerth, WA2KBZ – Karl Schulte, WAØBER – J.D. Simmons, WAØZOG – Mike Miller, WBØAQV – Greg Abbott, WBØKXP – Gene Wilson, WBØPZR – Andy Adams

Previous Meeting Minutes (presented & approved as corrected):

Secretary-Treasurer's Report:

Previous Bank Balance:	\$7,207.95
Deposits:	\$150.00
Electric Bill	- \$11.45
Phone Bill	- \$33.64
Current Bank Balance:	\$7,312.86

Old business

2-Meter Net Report: Mike Dolson, NØZH, reported that there was a total of 96 check-ins for the month of January, with no traffic.

Kent, K9ZTV, suggested that the club consider originating traffic to be passed to the National Traffic System.

Mike, NØZH, suggested re-writing the weekly net preamble so that announcements like telephone numbers to schedule VE Exams, meeting dates, etc. appear near the end of the net rather than at the beginning. This would free up some time for people who wish to check in quickly and move on and also give newcomers some time to be ready with a pen/paper for later in the net.

Net Results:

Jan 20	KCØPET	27
Jan 27	KDØDDY	23
Feb 3	NØZH	21
Feb 10	KDØDDY	19

Upcoming Net Controllers:

Feb 17	WA2KBZ
Feb 24	AF6GT
Mar 3	NØZH
Mar 10	KDØGRM

Please contact Mike at n0zh@arrl.net or by phone at (573) 491-0119, if you will not be able to call the net you are scheduled for so other arrangements can be made.

2-Meter Repeater report: Tom, NØSS reported that the repeater is working fine with no other issues than the burble. There has been no loss of sensitivity. It has been too cold to do much with the repeater lately.

Digipeater report: No report.

Missouri Emergency Packet Network (MEPN): No report.

Emergency Coordinator's report: Joe, KBØQHZ reported that Doug Tice has a new job and has resigned as Assistant EC. Rich Krieser, NØJBF, accepted the position of Assistant EC. The packet networks for the hospitals worked fine during the past exercise on January 15th. Judy, KDØAJF questioned if there would be any exercises coming up that newly certified people can participate in. Joe will look into this, but nothing is currently planned.

VE Liaison's report: Tom, NØSS, reported that after the last meeting, three of the Williams kids took the Technician exams and all passed. Two people passed tests at the recent Highway Patrol testing session. Another exam session will be held at the Highway Patrol next Thursday, the 18th.

Tom also reported that Jack, WBØS, will be resigning as VE Liaison due to health issues. If anyone is interested in taking up this position, please let Tom know.

Finally, when an email is sent to VE's via email, please respond even if it is to say that you cannot help. Otherwise the sender doesn't know how many people may or may not be available.

CW Classes: Tom, NØSS, reports that the advanced class is going well. Tom took some orders for some battery powered amplifiers for the class members. This class meets before breakfast at 6:45am every Saturday morning at Mel's Country Café.

Bill, W4RK, reports that the intermediate class is also going well with both students and instructors having fun. This class meets after breakfast from 9-10am at Mel's.

Kent, K9ZTV, added that the new beginning class is still available for those who know little to nothing and would like to learn. This class meets at 10am after breakfast and the slow speed class.

Training Committee: Mike, KMØS, reported the Extra study group is now underway. Bill, W4RK, gave a class on math that was received well.

Plans for a Technician class are being investigated with a tentative timeframe around April. The class would probably take place over two or three Saturdays. Anyone interested in serving as an instructor, please let Mike know. Currently the class is projected to have around 20 students.

Club Shirts/Jackets/Patches: Mike, WAØZOG, has not had any luck getting in touch with his contact.

SEMA Callsign: Jim, NØTKN, has organized a committee and they are discussing options.

New business

None

Announcements:

Chuck, AF6GT, donated some QST magazines from 1996 for anyone who would like them.

Ron, KAØZIY, donated various electronic equipment to anyone interested.

Winterfest in Collinsville, IL was a big success with about 20-25 Jeff City area hams in attendance.

Presentation:

Roger Volk, KØGOB, gave a presentation on the MEPN system in St. Louis.

Respectfully submitted: Mark Eberle (KIØY), Secretary-Treasurer.

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