

July 6, 2024 4 States Amateur Radio Club Meeting

President Adam Huggins began the meeting by asking KE5CQB, J.W., to open with prayer. President then led the group in the Pledge to the United States Flag. A quorum was present.

No copies of the minutes were available for review, but they had been uploaded to the club website at least two weeks prior to the meeting. Richard, NN7ET moved and Evan, KI7DZP seconded a motion to suspend the reading of the minutes. Julia, KF7YNZ moved and Evan seconded a motion to accept the minutes as written. Both motions were unanimous. The minutes from June did not include the actual numbers from the meeting due to a mistake on the President's part. The motion passed unanimously.

For the treasurer's report, no numbers were given out loud and members were invited to talk to the Treasurer or President about the exact numbers. We had a June starting balance of \$17,756.89, two expenditures or 188.42 (reimbursement for food at the tail gate sale) and \$364 to renew the PO box. This left a balance of \$17,204.47 to start July. Sam, KI5VWO moved and David, KB5MIQ seconded a motion to accept the treasurer's report. Motion passed unanimously.

For club announcement, John, KB5LE talked about the Shreveport Hamfest August 10, 2024 from 7am to 2pm.

Reggie K5TXK talked about Field day having a good turnout. The heat dampened the number of contacts made due to folks not sticking around long after the event officially started. He mentioned Steve AF5JR and the Nash Fire Dept and wanted to recognize them for that.

Arthur KF5VWN reported the repeaters were good. He mentioned the monitor for the computer in the shack was out. Harold KJ5BNS moved and Evan seconded a motion to purchase a monitor for the repeater shack. The cost was about \$100.

Bryan Loper WX5CSS gave a report on Freedom Link. The 220 repeater was having issues and only putting out 5w. That repeater would be sent back for repair. The new Fusion 444.55 repeater was up and running. Bryan gave a few more details on that repeater and its operation. Sulphur Springs link is up and running again with lots of activity.

Bryan also talked about Skywarn and asked everyone to monitor HF frequencies for hurricane nets. He mentioned the potential for bad weather requiring skywarn activation in our area.

Karen reported the Texarkana GMRS repeater is still a work in progress and there is possibly a GMRS repeater going on the Branson Tower. She mentioned that tower had changed ownership and she knew all parties and there were good relationships there.

President mentioned the club nets on Thursday nights.

No one was present to test. There were a few first timers in attendance and they were recognized.

Greg KG5BOC moved to adjourn, the motion was seconded and the motion passed unanimously.