

Mountain Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the Meeting

17 November 2010

Dean Buckhouse (KB0VVA) began the monthly meeting at 7:05pm with intros all around. The October minutes were corrupt when received, so we need to re-send them. The September minutes were good. A motion to accept them was made by John Meyer (KB4PA), seconded by Eric Schmidt (N3TCQ) and passed. Since there were a few that received the October minutes OK, a motion to accept them was made by Mike Napier (K0MIS), seconded by Rob Roller (N7LV) and passed. There will be a VE session on Jan 1, 2011. The ARRL website had lost the VE session information. It is back on now. Skywarn Recognition day will be December 3-4 at the Pueblo NWS (Pueblo Airport). Officially it is 5p on the 3rd to 5p on the 4th. A convoy will meet at PPIR at 10a on the 3rd to begin setup. Camping is OK. We are planning on two SSB stations, a VHF/UHF station and a Digital HF station. Maybe others too.

Officer reports – The treasurer had reported that our books are good.

Old Business – Program suggestions to Paul Brown. Anne is to send a proof of our QSL club cards to Dean.

New Business – We are getting quotes on a UHF repeater for Badger. Club Dues are due in January. Our website has been updated by Eric Schmidt.

The MARC Christmas party. In the past this was on a regular meeting night. That would be the 15th this year. MARC will buy the turkey and ham, but need someone to cook them. Everything else is pot luck. We are planning a White Elephant gift exchange.

Repeater Report – the 685 is still having some minor interference on the link radio. Kit Haskins is working on UHF frequencies and a different VHF receiver to test out.

ARES – Rob Roller talked about the ARRL annual simulate emergency test, scheduled for the 20th of November. This year we intend to pass traffic from every county in the state. This will run from 9a to 3p. There is additional information on the PPARES.ORG website.

ARES will be doing the communications for the Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, being hosted by the Salvation Army. They cook numerous dinners and distribute them to the police stations, fire stations and shelters in the region. Quite an undertaking.

ARES will coordinate the floats, etc for the Festival of Lights in Colorado Springs. This is the same Saturday evening as the NWS Skywarn event.

ARES meets on the third Monday of each month at 7p. You can contact Rob Roller at N7LV@arrl.net for information.

In Teller County the SO and OEM use the NIXLE website for emergency notifications. This service can email or send text messages. A good thing to sign up on.

Carol Napier (KC0ZMQ) volunteered to cook the Christmas Turkey.

Our meeting adjourned at 7:40 pm

8 Members and 1 Guest

Submitted by Bill Wallick (KC0FNV), Secretary