

Mountain Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of the Meeting

19 November 2014

The meeting began at 1905 with Mike Stansberry in charge, and Dan Huber volunteering to take the meeting notes in the absence of the club secretary. Cookies were provided and enjoyed by all.

The minutes from the October meeting were read, with no comments or challenges made by the members present.

There was no change to the status of the club treasury, so the report was not read.

Old Business

Dean Buckhouse provided information regarding the outage of the Tenderfoot Repeater in Cripple Creek. It was reported that the way that the power cord was routed allowed its weight to pull itself out from the outlet. The fix was to strenuously adjust the prongs on the plug so that they provided greater friction in the socket.

Carol Wilson reported that the club account for Rada Knives was still valid and that she would be providing them with updated club information. These are said to make good Christmas presents.

Dean Buckhouse still needs to follow up with the Forest Service contact regarding the proposed Lake George repeater site.

Mike Stansberry reported that the Smokehouse Restaurant in WP was probably not a good location for the club Christmas dinner, and requested if there were other accommodations we should consider. It was suggested that we utilize the same location as last year's Christmas Dinner – Fiesta Mexicana Restaurant in WP.

Dean Buckhouse motioned that we also follow last year's practice of having members that attend the dinner pay for their own meal, and that the club would then provide a \$5 discount on the next year's membership dues. Motion was seconded by Mike Brian, and all attending members agreed with the proposal.

The Christmas Dinner will be on the 17th of December, 1830, Fiesta Mexicana.
*** Note taker failed to write down who would ensure that the restaurant would be available on that date time.

New Business

Dean Buckhouse brought up the discussion on how to utilize the remaining \$2000 in the County account. It was suggested that we use part of the funds to upgrade one of the repeaters, and to use the remaining funds to purchase Pelican cases and power supplies for the 'Go Kits'. These funds must be spent by the end of the year, and the suggestion will be brought to the club board for decision/action.

No further new business was brought forward

Mike Stansberry orchestrated an in-depth question and answer session on all the modes and their usages available to Amateur Radio Operators. This note taker wrote down as much as he could capture/absorb, but does not feel confident enough in the information he gathered to provide it here. Hopefully Mike will send out his list – it was pretty long with “rag chewing” and “contesting” being the most popular activities.

Our meeting adjourned at 2035

14 members and 2 guests were present.

Submitted to Bill Wallick (KCØFNV), Secretary – by Dan Huber (KNØMAP), Member