

## Sioux Empire Amateur Radio Club

### December 1, 2015 Business Meeting

#### Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 19:30 CST.

November minutes the minutes of the November Business meeting was read and approved.

Treasurers Report the Treasurers report was read and approved. The club balance stands at \$7458.85. Membership dues for 2016 are due. The treasurer would like more of the members use the online renewal application to mail in our renewal.

VE Testing Connie, WD0EYV reported four candidates successfully tested in the November 10<sup>th</sup> VE test session. Two obtained their Technician, another passed the General and yet another passed the Amateur Extra. There is at least one candidate for the December 8 VE test session.

Technical Committee we have a new antenna for the Menlo water tower but we probably will not be able to put it up until spring. It was suggested that the club install a duo band VHF/UHF transceiver in the radio cabinet. It was further mentioned that D Star capability might be desirable. A motion was made and carried to have Ray, WB0HHM, look for a new radio.

Holiday Dinner the club will have a holiday social dinner at 6 PM on Tuesday, December 29 at the Royal Fork restaurant. A White Elephant gift exchange is suggested but not required for all who wish to participate. The price limit for the gifts is \$15~\$20.

Equipment Bill, KC0DAS, learned that the police radios the club has have almost no value.

ARES Report Dusty, KD0QYR, recounted the November 14th Red Cross Sheltering exercise in which some of our ARES members participated. It was a very interesting exercise and brought a lot of good exposure to the value of amateur radio capabilities in this type of scenario. The Red Cross invited us back to a similar, more realistic exercise which will take place in the summer. The next ARES meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 26<sup>th</sup> at 19:00. Dusty asked those interested in obtaining SD Link Apparel to contact him. Chan, KB0ECO, had about ten SEARC Yaesu Fusion polo shirts. All were sold for \$10 each.

Skywarn Recognition Day is scheduled for the morning of Saturday, Dec 5 at the Sioux Falls National Weather Service building. A sign-up sheet was passed for those who wished to participate. Only those listed will be allowed due to security at the NWS office.

Icom IC-7000 Chan, KB0ECO, has an Icom IC-7000 for sale. It is a very nice compact, 'DC to Daylight' radio that covers HF/VHF/UHF and is still in production. Contact Chan if interested.

Officer Election new officers will be elected at the January 5<sup>th</sup> Business Meeting. Only paid up members will be allowed to vote.

Mike, NF0H, volunteered for the SEARC 2 meter net. Dan, KD0BUF is back up. Dusty, KD0QYR will take this week's Trader Net.

Meeting Adjourned at 20:22 CST