Minutes PWARC Meeting 9 February, 2013

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Sipes (KB0JIT) at 2:00) p.m. in King Room A at the Pueblo West Library. 16 members and 2 guests were present.

Members attending were:

Paul Sipes (KB0JIT)- President

Jim McConnell (NE0DA) - Vice President

Roger Stasiak (W0ROG) – Secretary

Jane Ewing (KA0USA) - Director

Dave Yeater (KY6YYY) - Director

Neal Tew (KD0MBL) - Director

Steve Worley (KD0QCF)

Bob Akins (WD0FBW)

Andy Lloyd (ND0P)

Del Milne (KD0RRH)

Stanley Clark (WB0JRC)

Stanley Dorris (KC0OYO)

Bill Vahldiek (K5LKT)

Jim Lutenberg (N0OBV)

Amanda Alden (K1DDN)

Tony Gonzalez (KD0OXO)

Guests: Dan (N8OJW)

Sara Akins

Birthdays: ??????????????????

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS!

New Members: None

Newly Licensed Members: None

Members renewing since last meeting: WB0JRG, K5LKT

Memberships expired in January: None

Memberships Expiring in February: KD0SWS:

ARRL Membership Report:

We now have 42 members; 41 Licensed. Of the 41 voting members, 24 belong to the ARRL. That gives us a 59% ARRL Membership.

New ARRL Memberships or Renewals:

Rag Chew Report: There were 21 attendees, 19 members and 2 guests.

News from the members:

Del (KD0RRH)- Has his hand held radio up, working on new station W0WAM.

Neal- Attended special Board of Directors meeting 8 February, served as Net Control for Emergency Net.

Dave: working HF, but likes "Old" radio more than the new one! His son-in-law left the house.

Bill- Nothing to report-zero.

Stan- Working HF bands and monitoring Fun Machine

Dan- Family illnesses, used radio to lift spirits.

Paul- First contact with Cayman Islands.

Jim- Still working on towers, antennas, 62 QSL cards mailed out.

Roger- Served as Net Control for several sessions of PWARC VHR Repeater Net

Bob- Co-Webmaster for our Club web page, getting FTP (File Transfer Protocol) from Bill, looking for new web hosting site, possibly Go-Daddy.com.

Amanda- Preparing for ARES exercises, continuing with "Ham Nation" broadcasts.

Tony- Still learning the details of his new radio

Secretary's Report:

Meeting notes are e-mailed to all members and prospects as soon as they are written and are posted on our website, beginning with the January 2013 meeting. We also have a copy of the minutes of last month's meeting at the sign-in table at each meeting for anyone who would like to go through it. If anyone has questions about the minutes, the Secretary will be happy to answer them and make corrections if needed. Motion made and passed to accept minutes.

Treasurer's Report:

Dan, NG0T, none (absent)

Ways & Means Report:

Jane, (KA0USA)- A new in the box VHF/UHF/FM/Weather Channels Hand held donated to the Club by W0ROG will be sold with proceeds going to the club to support 2013 projects. Tickets will be \$1.00 each, sold at March and April Meetings, radio going to winning ticket at end of April 2013 meeting.

Report from Instructors: Paul, Jim, Billy

Old Business: None

New Business:

1) Scholarship requirements to be revised by Board of Directors and return for study by January 1, 2014. Motion made by Steve, seconded by Billy to table 2013 Scholarship Award and review BOD submissions for award in 2014.

- 2) Dave Yeater (KY6YYY) volunteered for appointment as Chair of the Membership Committee. Discussion followed and it was noted that members can reside anywhere and do not have to be licensed Ham to join. We will solicit members from other regional clubs (Pueblo, Canon City, Walsenburg, Arkansas Valley, etc.)
- 3. The newly organized Ham Radio Station (W0WAM) at Weisbrod Aircraft Inc. was discussed. See Jim or Paul or Del for more information and tours.
- 4. The plan to serve refreshments at Club meetings was briefly discussed and it was decided not to serve refreshments at the meetings.
- 5. Hats bearing the call sign and name of PWARC members were discussed, but not enough interest was shown to order hats as a club. Individual purchases can be made for those wanting hats.

Miscellaneous:

Coming Events:

Each Tuesday – 7:00 p.m. First session of the PWARC net on the Royal Gorge Ham Club repeater at Canon City (145.490 [–] PL103.5).

Each Tuesday – **7:30 p.m.** Second session of the PWARC net, 146.445 MHz FM simplex. Alternate frequency, 146.430 FM simplex.

Sat March 2, 2013 – 9:00 a.m. Ragchew- Meet for coffee or breakfast at Hen House Café, Palmer Lake and Joe Martinez Blvd.

Sat March 9, 2013 – 12:00 p.m. Testing session for new licenses or to upgrade. Held at Pueblo West Library at 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

Sat Feb 9, 2013 – 2:00 p.m. Regular meeting of the Pueblo West Amateur Radio club held at the Pueblo West Library at 298 S. Joe Martinez Blvd.

For other events, see the PWARC Calendar at www.qsl.net/na0pw/Calendar.htm

Next month's Program(s): Video "This is the World of Ham Radio", narrated by Walter Cronkite

Comments or questions before adjournment?

Adjournment

Called by Paul (KB0JIT)

Program: ARRL Video: Ham Radio Station on the Queen Mary