

Minutes – October 24, 2014

The monthly meeting of the Pelican Bay Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Paul Carlin KE6NVU at 6:34 PM at the Chetco Activity Center (CAC), Brookings, Oregon.

Do we have a quorum? Yes – 16. (We have 65 members, so need 13)

Those present were:

MEMBERS (16)

Stuart Anthony KE6NCU

Kathy Bernhardt KG7EHS

Paul Carlin KE6NVU

John Eaton KG7LIH

James Fournier KF7KVP

Doug Gustafson K7KY

Mindy Hamilton W7ZAP

Patrick Henry WA6PKM

Butch Jark LG7LIK

Oscar Marks K6LKK

Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI

Bill Parrish KM6KV

Shannon Parrish KD6CMX

Ron Rieg K7IOW

Doren Rosenthal WA6MVP

Chris Teague WB8YPO

ASSOCIATES OR GUESTS (0)

Minutes: September 7 annual and Sept. 26 monthly minutes were approved as distributed by e-mail

Treasurer's Report: Larry KE7YUI reported the 9/30/14 Bank Statement of \$5,562.31

Paid out: Check to Secretary of State of Oregon for \$50.00 was made after the statement came out.

Balance as of 10/24/2014 was \$5,512.31

Two checks for membership received \$31.00

Report approved.

As of October 24<sup>th</sup>, we have 65 members. Congratulations and welcome to newly licensed members Gail Moss KG7OJC and Mike Moss KG7OJD ! Welcome to Andy Gagliardo N7SGV !

#### **Standing Committees:**

Cape Ferrello Repeater: Working normally.

Harbor Hills Repeater: Ron K7IOW. Working properly. Repainting has been completed.

Website: Mindy W7ZAP and Doug K7KY . Mindy gave us a superb Orientation Presentation on the new website. Please see Project Night below.

Newsletter: Bob W7VN and Lorraine W7RFC not present. Last Issue of Sparks November 1. Copies were distributed Oct 24<sup>th</sup> at the Tea Room and at the Business meeting by Larry KE7YUI. Larry was to mail the rest by USPS on Oct 25<sup>th</sup>.

Antenna Committee: not discussed

#### **Old Business:**

ARRL Club Membership: 50% of our membership is 33. With Andy N7SGV joining, we now have 19 ARRL members within the club.

VE Testing: Next regular testing date will be December 6. Anyone planning on upgrading?

HOLIDAY BRUNCH: Paul Carlin KE6NVU announced the December 6<sup>th</sup> Brunch to be held at DeeAnn's Tea Room starting at 10 am , \$18 per person and reminded us that the Tea Room is open just for us that Saturday. He also explained the Gift Exchange (\$5 to \$10 gift or something home-made) and the limit of 2 "steals" of gifts from an individual.

Net Check-in Report from Mindy W7ZAP, net manager: Members checked in 67 times, visitors 15 times, mostly from Del Norte county.

501(c)(3) – Non-profit incorporation for PBARC was accepted at the annual meeting. The paperwork along with the \$50 check was sent in to register our Club with the state of Oregon. Paul Carlin KE6NVU mentioned that it may be a while before we hear back on that.

Great Shake Out Drill October 16<sup>th</sup>:

PBARC hams were at several venues – the 5th St. Curry Medical Center, Brookings PD, the Episcopal Church and the Presbyterian Church. From Lower Harbor or Memory Lane, a “walk to higher ground” was accomplished to destinations of the Harbor Fire Department or the Chetco Library. Paul Carlin KE6NVU commented that there were nine checkins to the Bosely Butte repeater, including Port Orford, Ophir, and Gold Beach. Also a simulated emergency message was sent to ARES in Jackson county dictated by the duty nurse at the Medical Center for transmission via Packet and Paktor3.

In all, there were 8 stations making 24 reports into the 10:16 am net and 7 stations making reports into the Noon net. After the nets were secured, 8 members met for a debrief and planning session.

As a sidelight, the group walking up to the Harbor Fire station reported a vehicle fire using the FRS radio distributed for the Shakeout Drill.

Paul Carlin KE6NVU has not heard about his application to be a registered volunteer for the county.

“In Motion” Caps and Shirts: Paul KE6NVU reviewed costs – Polo Shirt S-XL with logo \$18.22, T shirts up to XL \$14.45 , graphics front and back \$12.45, Hats -Flex Fit \$12, Logo on front \$8, Call sign on back \$6. Orders will be amassed in sets of six for efficiency at In Motion. Sign ups will be taken at break.

### **New Business:**

Snacks at meetings: Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI brought several kinds of cake. A pot of coffee was also available.

Project tonight:

**Mindy Hamilton W7ZAP** presented a thorough orientation of the new PBARC website, URL [pelicanbayarc.com](http://pelicanbayarc.com) *Motion was made, seconded and carried, to accept the colorization of the club logo.* Doug K7KY and Mindy W7ZAP used the WORDPRESS content management system to structure the webpages. Mindy has the ability to add content with Bob and Lorraine continuing as editors. Mindy navigated through the tabs, showing us the various features designed into the website. There is an RSS feed feature available.

During the Q&A, Doren WA6MVP suggested adding ads as income source and a map of repeaters. Chris WB8YPO suggested a page for equipment sales and swaps and a link to ARRL resources.

**Ron K7IOW** presented the program presently being used for calling the Tuesday evening net. URL [k7iow.org/nrc/netrc.cgi](http://k7iow.org/nrc/netrc.cgi) The program is currently running on Ron's server until development is completed. Mindy W7ZAP, net manager, can monitor the progress of a net. Ron demonstrated the ease of use in marking member and visitor check-ins as well as the report statistics. Ron encouraged members to try the program, knowing that Mindy will ignore the experimental sessions in approving the real check-in records.

Paul KE6NVU suggested having a project train emergency net control skills.

Next meeting: Friday, November 21 at 6:30 PM at the Chetco Activity Center.

Reminder: the December meeting will be a week early also on 12/19

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 PM by President Paul Carlin KE6NVU.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shannon Parrish KD6CMX, Acting Secretary