

Minutes – October 25, 2013

The monthly meeting of the Pelican Bay Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI at 6:32 PM at the Chetco Activity Center (CAC), Brookings, Oregon.

Do we have a quorum? Yes – 10 were present when the meeting was called to order. (We have 49 members, so need 10)

Those present were:

MEMBERS (11)

Paul Carlin KE6NVU

Kate Davies KF7WIB

James Fournier KF7KVP

Doug Gustafson K7KY

Mindy Hamilton W7ZAP

Dick Keusink K7VPL

Polly Keusink N7SJH

Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI

Chris Teague WB8YPO

Bob Wilkinson W7VN

Lorraine Wilkinson W7RFC

ASSOCIATES OR GUESTS (3)

Vickie Howell

Mike Poole KE6ZYK

Jamie Yarborough KJ6JKL

Minutes of September 27 were approved as distributed by e-mail.

Treasurer's Report: Kate KF7WIB reported \$5,507.02, unchanged from last meeting.

We currently (October 25, 2013) have 49 members.

Standing Committees:

Cape Ferrello Repeater: Working properly

Harbor Hills Repeater: Paul KE6NVU reported that we need a battery box.

It was moved that we buy a new battery box for \$50. S.C.

Website: Paul KE6NVU, Mindy W7ZAP and Doug K7KY.

It was moved that members' names and information be removed from the website. S.C.

Appropriate contact names and information will be supplied.

Newsletter: The November issue has been prepared for mailing this evening.

Unfinished Business:

VE Testing will be on Saturday, December 7, 9 AM at the Library Annex. The Del Norte club will be giving a Technician "Ham Cram" on Nov. 2 and the test on Nov. 3.

Club Promotion: Kate KF7WIB has contacted the Curry Coastal Pilot to make changes in our notice, naming the Chetco Activity Center as meeting place.

ORRC: Bob W7VN has completed the process about our repeaters, both with call sign W7BKG.

Net Report: Doug K7KY and Mindy W7ZAP reported check-ins since the last meeting: 12 members+3guests, 12+3, 18+2, 16+5, for a total of 71. Those checking in each time all month were: Larry, Doug, Mindy, Andy, James and Mike Poole KE6ZYK and Fred Wagner AD6FC from Crescent City. **And Jimmy KE7FXM from Port Orford!** Also included in check-ins this month were stations from Crescent City and Eureka.

Simplex frequency net: Larry KE7YUI will conduct one next week after the regular net.

Project Night: Bob W7VN is prepared for a communication exercise this evening. The topic for next month will be FLdigi.

Picnic/Annual Meeting: Kate KF7WIB reported that the group picture from this year is printed and on the bulletin board at Dee-Ann's Tea Room.

ARRL Membership: 13 club members are known to be ARRL members. We need 50 % or 25 to qualify for PBARC club membership. Another count will be taken at the Holiday Brunch.

Planning for EOC: Nothing new.

Upper Chetco Fire Department: Doug K7KY reported that he has exchanged an updated radio (Kenwood TM-241A) which is working well. The original 241 radio has been returned to Bob W7VN.

New Business:

Net Control volunteer for the next period will be Larry KE7YUI for roll calls October 29 through November 19.

November/December meetings: Because of holiday closures of the CAC, these meetings will be one week earlier on November 22 and December 20, at the CAC.

Holiday Brunch: Lorraine W7RFC updated details – Dee-Ann's Tea Room Café, Saturday, December 7, 10 AM, reservations \$10 made in advance, bring a gift, family and friends welcome. Polly N7SJH will make name tags, Kate KF7WIB will facilitate gift exchange, check entertainment possibilities, etc.

Snacks at meetings: Paul KE6NVU will bring snacks for the November meeting.

Antenna Committee: Plans are underway to assemble a group to put up or repair antennas, including people with experience and/or agility.

Community College-SOCC: Paul KE6NVU has had contact with the college, and they want to have an operating radio station on campus. Paul and Bob W7VN will coordinate further.

Club Participation in community events: Paul KE7NVU reported that Chris WB8YPO had mentioned that the club should provide communication for more events – walks, bike races, marathons, the Cape Blanco Music Festival, etc. Our members should be aware of such opportunities.

Member News: Doug K7KY reported that people from several communities participated in the Great American Shake-out on 2 meters and HF, on handhelds and base stations. Jimmy Wills KE7FXM also took part from Port Orford. Mike KE6ZYK reported that the ORCA net is making good progress, both on simplex, digital and HF.

Next meeting: Friday, November 22 at 6:30 PM at the Chetco Activity Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 PM by President Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI. The project activity was postponed due to extended discussion and some priorities. Everyone enjoyed the copious homemade snacks prepared by Kate KF7WIB.

Respectfully submitted,
Lorraine Wilkinson W7RFC, Secretary