

Minutes – August 30, 2013

The monthly meeting of the Pelican Bay Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI at 9:00 AM at Dee-Ann's Tea Room, Brookings, Oregon.

Do we have a quorum? Yes – 10 were present when the meeting was called to order. (We have 48 members, so need 9)

Those present were:

MEMBERS (10)

Paul Carlin KE6NVU

James Fournier KF7KVP

Doug Gustafson W7SPY

Mindy Hamilton W7ZAP

Randi Hewitt W7ZXR

Chuck Larimore W6ZX

Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI

Steve Pringle KG7EHR

Bob Wilkinson W7VN

Lorraine Wilkinson W7RFC

ASSOCIATES OR GUESTS (0)

Minutes of July 26, 2013 approved as distributed by e-mail.

Treasurer's Report:: No report was available.

We currently (August 30, 2013) have 48 members. Frank Meccia KE6YLM renewed his membership for the remainder of 2013, and 2014. Welcome back, Frank.

#### **Standing Committees:**

Cape Ferrelo Repeater: Working properly

Harbor Hills Repeater: Paul KE6NVU reported that all is currently working properly. Paul and Larry KE7YUI recently met with the man at HW3 that owns the property. He assured them that we can continue to use (and maintain) that site until the property is sold. Paul thinks we are good for 2 years. Pat Wong of NWTEC has not yet given us paper work that makes us legal owners of the building.

Website: Paul KE6NVU reported Mindy W7ZAP and Doug W7SPY will be working with him on the website. More changes will be made in the next six months.

Newsletter: The next issue should be ready for mailing on October 25. Suggestions of articles for that issue are: Project Night, North Coast Simplex/Digital Net.

#### **Unfinished Business:**

Net Report: Chuck W6ZX and Randi W7ZXR reported check-ins since the last meeting: 19+1, 22+1, 23+1, 18+2, 12+2, for a total of 101, quite likely a record. Those checking in each time all month were: Marion, James, Doug G., Mindy, Oscar, Jim Speas, Bob and Lorraine.

VE Testing Program: Next testing is October 5. Tests are given for new licenses and upgrades. Steve may be ready for a go at General.

New Vanity Call: The new club call **W7BKG** will be programmed into both repeaters soon.

ORRC information about the repeaters. Bob W7VN will send ORRC our particulars when the repeaters are reprogrammed..

Project Night: Tonight, 7 PM at the Chetco Activity Center. Spectral Purity night. A service monitor and accurate power meter will be available.

Picnic/Annual Meeting – Sunday, September 8, at Loeb Park: Paul KE6NVU and Steve KG7EHR will go early to save our site. Hot Dogs and campfire coffee will be provided. Bring a dish to share, beverage if you wish, and chairs. We will eat about 12:30. The annual meeting will follow.

ARRL Membership: A survey will be made at the Annual Meeting to see if the required 50% of our members have ARRL membership.

Planning for the EOC: This will be discussed along with related issues at the Annual Meeting.

Azalea Parade: Doug W7SPY called to our attention that there was no “debriefing” opportunity after PBARC served at the parade start-up.

Packet Program: Doug W7SPY reported that the attempt made by him and Paul KE6NVU to establish packet connections outside our area has not been fruitful and will not be pursued further.

### **New Business:**

Net Roll Call order: It was moved that the net be called alphabetically by call sign rather than by last name as currently used. Seconded and passed unanimously.

Net Control volunteers for September will be Doug W7SPY and Mindy W7ZAP for roll calls September 3 through 24.

Nominating Committee Report: Bob W7VN, Larry KE7YUI and Doug W7SPY have found a slate of officers to present at the Annual Meeting. They are President – Paul Carlin KE6NVU, Vice-President – Oscar Marks K6LKK, Treasurer – Larry KE7YUI, Secretary – Lorraine Wilkinson W7RFC. Other nominations will be accepted at the Annual Meeting.

Club Simplex Frequency Change: Doug W7SPY suggested that we abandon 146.46 MHz because that frequency is used by another group. We were asked to monitor 147.45 and 147.54 as possible alternatives. One would be for tactical use, the other for resource use. A final decision will be made at the Annual Meeting. (Late note: 147.54 MHz is currently used by the Del Norte club for IRLP. We are asked to monitor 147.42 and 147.45.)

Evening meetings: The suggestion was made that we consider having our meetings at 7 PM at the Chetco Activity Center on the last Friday of the month, perhaps in conjunction with Project Night. This would accommodate those members who work during the day or those who find the 9 AM meeting inconveniently early. A straw vote taken showed those present were in favor of making this change. A final decision will be made at the Annual Meeting. A change in the ByLaws will be necessary.

Silent Auction: There will be one at the Annual Meeting. Members are urged to bring things to sell personally or to donate proceeds to PBARC.

Suggestion: Mindy W7ZAP asked that we consider letting a member call the Net Roll for just one week.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:18 AM by President Larry Mostachetti KE7YUI.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lorraine Wilkinson W7RFC, Secretary