



South Canadian Amateur Radio
Society
Norman, Oklahoma

9 March 2002

The March 2002 meeting was called to order by President Tom, KD5ENL. There were 25 members present at the Moose Lodge. I'm afraid they have spoiled us, this is a very nice place to meet.

Treasurer Jeff, KT5OK gave the Treasurers report. We have \$1900 in the bank. There have been approximately 80 members pay up for this year, leaving a few to hopefully straggle-in later. We will update the roster on the SCARS Webpage ASAP to reflect the paid up members.

Ken, KC5OU gave the Repeater report and all is well. We (he) have gained some elbow room at the site, in that the old Fire Dept. equipment has been moved out. The "Crunch Monster" rears it's head every now and then but perhaps some warm southerly breezes will help that situation.

Bill, N5UMH gave the Secretary Report. The main topics were the new direction of CORA, the publication of the C&E on-line and further preparation for Field Day this year.

That brought us to New or Continuing Business and primarily Field Day. Louis, KC5ABI has asked for the use of the small pavilion at Reaves Park again this year, Gayland, KC5MMU has offered the Moore Emergency Truck and Generator. The new Rules were briefly discussed and Steve, AC5VS volunteered to ram-rod the new GOTA station, which is taking the place of the Nov/Tech station. Thanks Steve. Food for the Saturday night cook out will be handled and it was suggested we contact area Hams that are not very active to come and take part. Boy Scouts would also be another group that could help and participate. It was suggested that we contact CH 9, NewsOK.com prior to the event to get some publicity. Bert,

K2BA and wife Carmen, K5ADI will also be invited to be with us again. Available antennas were discussed and it was mentioned that Louis, W5UZD didn't appear to use his vertical so maybe we could. I believe it's still in a box and we would have to put it together ourselves. We may wait for a better offer. It was moved, seconded and passed that 24 Field Day Pins be ordered from the ARRL. If anyone wishes a Field Day T-Shirt they could order for themselves.

Bill, KD5DOB is the newly appointed Cleveland Co. Emergency Coordinator for ARES. Bill passed out application forms & wanted input as to using the repeater, establishing a time for a net and etc. It was moved, seconded and approved that the SCARS repeater be used and we establish 8PM on Tuesdays as a time for an ARES net. It was also suggested that he look into insurance coverage by the City/Co. while working in an emergency situation.

We received a nice announcement from the Lebanon. MO Amateur Radio Club. They will be hosting the Missouri ARRL convention May 4th. If you would like to combine an Ozark holiday with a hamfest this is an opportunity.

The members present were polled to see what, if any projects/programs might be desired at future meetings. Some ideas were: Troubleshooting broken equipment, Basic Electronic Projects, Breadboarding, Antennas etc.

It was moved, seconded and approved to reimburse Mark Kleine for the cost of the SCARS webpage domain name. Also to investigate the possibility of putting the Skywarn site on the server as well.

There have been a few hams pop up needing old Call Books to verify that they did have a Novice license at one time, in order to upgrade. It was mentioned that the local QCWA group had a series of older books if needed.

With that the meeting adjourned to allow time for Bill, N5UMH to hold a session about using the ARRL incoming and outgoing QSL Bureaus and QSL'ing.

See you next month

73 de N5UMH
Bill