

Fayette County Amateur Radio Club

General Meeting Minutes

Date: 24 April 2014

Time Started: 7:04PM

Location: First Methodist Church, Room C-260, Fayetteville, GA

Members Present: President John Secrist K4TXQ; VP Jeff Cantor K1ZN; Treas. Jim Lynch K4GVO; Sec. Steve Yothment WD0HGB; David Benoist AG4ZR; Gary Roberts KB4AUK; Scott Royle KK4Z; Bill Lackey KV4UD; Tim McKibben KV4UE; Kay Wheeler WD0BDK; Guest: Dave Collins WA9OYL

Pres. John Secrist K4TXQ presided.

The meeting started with introduction of each person present. Guest David Collins WA9OYL mentioned that he has moved here from Indiana. David Benoist AG4ZR, who is now the Georgia ARES Section Emergency Coordinator, spoke about his travels through Georgia, meeting with many hams and learning about many of the repeaters in Georgia.

Old Business:

- 1) The Treasurer's Report was presented by Treasurer Jim Lynch K4GVO. Starting Balance on Feb 27 was \$5503.91. Income was \$127.13. Expenses were \$28.97. New Balance on April 24 is \$5602.07. The report was approved with no corrections.
- 2) Minutes of the March 2014 meeting were read by Steve Yothment WD0HGB and approved with no corrections.

New Business:

- 1) The Peachtree City repeater had problems earlier this month, but Robert Burton KD4YDC repaired it just in time for the March of Dimes Walk this past weekend. It worked very well for this event.
- 2) Jeff Cantor K1ZN announced that John Davis WB4QDX will talk at the next meeting about D-Star repeaters. John is the frequency coordinator for D-Star repeaters for the state of Georgia.
- 3) Jeff showed a form for field day organization. This form will be available to members (through the FCARC website or email list) for members to sign up for various field day responsibilities.
- 4) John asked that we put off non-field day activities until the fall so that we can concentrate on field day. The group agreed.
- 5) Bill Lackey KV4UD read a letter that he composed for publicizing our field-day event. He would like to send it to government officials of Senoia, Peachtree City and Fayetteville, and to radio stations and newspapers. The group agreed. Some members thought it would also be good to mention in the letter that the Cowetta County ARC will be operating on field day also. The group agreed. Steve Rambeck KK4ECL (the FCARC Public Relations person) will send out the letters.
- 6) Jeff agreed to generate a signup sheet for field day antenna work. He will coordinate the work. He will also generate an equipment list for members to enter the equipment that they will bring to field day.

Adjourn:

- 1) The business meeting was adjourned at 8:20PM.
- 2) The post-meeting presentation was on Go Kits. John Secrist K4TXQ, David Benoist AG4ZR and Scott Royle KK4Z talked in detail on their Go Kits. Go Kits contain many items of interest or need by radio amateurs for emergencies and/or emergency radio communication.