

Minutes for UCARS February 20th, 2014 Meeting

Bill, KB4NET, Opened the regular meeting at 7:05 PM with 21 members and guests.

Members attending:

Charles Comerford KK4HOK	Richard Morris KK4NKN	Bill Turner W4WNT
G Brad Cansler AK4RE	Jon Shaneyfelt KK4HNR	Paul P Corso KK4NKN
Stefanie Comerford KK4LZR	Alfred Kokoszczyński KC2GZI	Craig Sharp KN6OJY
Norm Beasley KO4CB	Peter Alexander (no call)	William 'Bill' Austin (no call)
Ron Lawrence, W4RON	David Keever K8IP (Treasurer)	Ray Rising K4LWJ
Christopher Whitaker II KK4WJL	Roger 'Robert' Gleaves KK4ITM	Andrew Gleaves KK4NIS
Chris Whitaker AE4WS	Leon Winter WX6I (Secretary)	Bill Foust KB4NET (President)

REPORTS and New Business

David, K8IP, gave the treasurer's report with a current bank balance of \$2,158.31 after an expenditure of \$144.27 for _____.

Discussion of UCARS doing VE testing.

Reminder ARES Nuclear drill will be March 18-19

Those who signed up to Yellow Jackets at Charlotte Hamfest were to see David, K8IP after the meeting.

Radio station WFAE, 90.7 presenting program on Ham radio Tuesday at 9 AM & PM.

Some interesting points on Ham terms.

May-day = Need help. Possible crash or sinking

Pan-pan-pan = Break down or Out of order

de = This is _____ Usually filled in with station callsign

The year 1857 was the first code list or useful abbreviations

Fist = describes manually sent Mores code.

73 started out meaning the next word is a name.

In 1859 there were 93 codes listed and 73 became best regards

In 1908 the form was "73 de callsign"

The North Carolina QSO party strives to "activate" (hear from) all 100 North Carolina counties.

On Air Radio event covers 80 through 2 meters.

Results are found at: <http://www.rars.org/ncqsoparty/>

(Reported from *after our February meeting*, All 100 counties turned in (uploaded) logs

See: <http://rars.org/ncqsoparty/index.php?id=actual-activations> for details.)

50/50 drawing was held and \$12 was added to the club treasury.

Adjourned at 8:09 PM. (Next meeting January 16th, 2014)

Respectfully Submitted,

Leon, WX6I