

MINUTES for UCARS November 19, 2015 Meeting

Bill Foust, KB4NET, opened the meeting at 7:00 PM with 8 members.

Members attending:

Bill Foust	KB4NET	Andy Kabasakalian	WB2WZC	Ray Rising	K4LWJ
Chris Whitaker	AE4WS	Paul Corso	KK4PIB	Mal Speer	WA2TWA
David Keever	K8IP	Alfred KoKoszczyński	KC2GZI	Bill Beerman	WB2PEJ

Treasurer's Report: Current Balance \$ 1,325.86

- 1) Visitors: Bill Beerman(WB2PEJ) & Mal Speer(WA2TWA)
- 2) Bill reviewed last month meeting notes.
- 3) The Boy Scouts Radio Merit Badge Class was reviewed
 - a. Comments were all positive
 - b. Class was deemed a success
 - c. Club learned that Candy is a great motivator
- 4) The ARES Simulated Emergency Test for last Saturday was discussed.
 - a. The test was a success
 - b. ARES was able to determine expectations were met.
 - c. Only test not completed was passing of ICS forms via VHF but due to Packet equipment limitation that was known going into the test.
 - d. Bill & Cliff Green from Charlotte manned the site at Marvin Ridge School
 - e. Craig Sharp, Paul Corso & Alfred were on site at the Red Cross Building
 - f. Jerry and David were at the EOC
- 5) Bill discussed the antenna limitations at the EOC. Also hoping that we can obtain support from the County for antennas and installations at the emergency centers(schools) in the County.
- 6) UCARS will be scheduling training and hands on for Packet, WINMOR and RMS Express after the first of the new year.
 - a. Will attempt to retain some outside instruction.
- 7) There was discussion of the success of the VE exams that number of attendees we have had. New Exam session is January 2016.
- 8) Treasurer's report was given, see top of page for balance.
- 9) UCARS Elections were held. The following were the results:
 - a. President Bill Foust
 - b. Vice President Paul Corso
 - c. Secretary/Treasurer David Keever
 - d. Activities Coordinator Alfred KoKoszczyński
- 10) A Christmas get to gather was discussed. Due to the time frame being able to obtain a reservation a family breakfast was suggested.

- a. The family breakfast will be held on January 2, 2016 at 9:30 AM at the Golden Corral Buffet in Monroe.
- 11) Alfred KoKoszczyński presented information about an Amateur Radio Participation event occurring in 2016 at National Parks in observance of the 100th year anniversary.
- a. Response was positive from the Club to participate.
 - b. This will be discussed in future meetings.
 - c. This is a year long event so a specific date is not required.
 - d. We may need permission from a park to set up equipment.
- 12) Bill presented some members with UCARS/Yaesu Fusion shirts. These shirts were provided by Yaesu with the purchase of repeaters.
- 13) New Member- Mal Speer (WA2TWA)

Meeting was adjourned

The next regular meeting will be December 17, 2015 at the Monroe Red Cross.
The next UCARS breakfast is Saturday December 12 at the Monroe Golden Corral.
Please Note that the breakfast will be at 9:00 AM.