

Birmingham Hamfest

March 1, 2014

Meeting was called to order at 9:08 am by W4MD, David Drummond. David reviewed events from the Montgomery HamFest.

Minutes from the Huntsville HamFest were reviewed and approved. Kirk Junkin, N4KRJ presented the Treasures Report. As of March 1, 2014:

Checking Account : \$ 3145.71

Savings Account : \$ 5786.52

President - David Drummond, W4MD

Directors and current members should continue to encourage repeater owners to become members.

ARC still has open Directors position - Southern Region

There are no current plans to have a Hamfest in Greenville, AL.

Motion - Lester Crane to suspend the ARC Meeting scheduled for Greenville, AL due to no Hamfest.
Second by Tommy Golden. David added if there was a need for a meeting he would contact Directors.

The next scheduled meeting of the ARC will be Huntsville Hamfest, August, 16, 2014

There are no scheduled elections in 2014, however the open slot should be addressed in Huntsville.

The normal election cycle for Officers will be 2015 along with "A" Directors.

David attended the Florida Repeater Council meeting in Orlando, FL and gave report.

Vice-President - Bill Clingan, KCOONR - No report

Web Site - Kirk Junkin, N4KRJ

Website undergoing updates and new design. Current membership of about 20 paid members.

Coordinator - Howard Grant, K4WWN

Howard led discussion of all Coordination Activities. His complete notes accompany the original version these minutes.

Additional discussion over the previous information from the ARRL letter on the new guidelines on data submission for ARRL Directory. Currently, even if online submissions are being made, Howard is not accepting those type changes. We will accept updates only from the Holder of Record (HOR), and not necessarily a Repeater Trustee.

In addition, Howard made a presentation and led discussion on a proposed procedure change on how ARC handles Repeater Updates. The procedure's intent is to allow any repeater frequency coordination that has not been updated (over a specific time) to automatically be de-coordinated.

Howard, K4WWN made a motion to adopt such a procedure, to help eliminate "paper repeaters" and encourage Holder of Record (HOR) to update their data.

During discussion, Steve Flory, W9KOP, motioned that the time period be set to 5 Years from the last update provided by the HOR, or the original date of coordination, whichever is the newer. Further discussion. Motion was seconded by Lester Crane, WA4CYA.

Steve Flory, suggested to provide updates about this procedure on the ARC Website, as well as including a letter from Howard, K4WWN when he mails out the 2014 Repeater Update Requests to HOR's

Howard was asked about the total number of coordinated repeaters: @ 500 total, all bands. He added that normally HOR's are asked to submit their updates within a 30-day period from receiving the mailed update requests.

Kirk, N4KRJ was asked about placing the Frequency Co ordinations eligible for de-coordination under this new policy on the website. Should be done without any issues.

Rusty Hoyt KG4QBE seconded the original motion by Howard. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Additional Coordinator's report from Howard was shared, and included with these minutes.

Director Reports :

Steve Flory - no big issues to report

Lester Crane - no big issues to report

Tommy Golden - has been in contact with the HOR for the Demopolis repeaters and is working with him on a few projects and linking.

Bob Luman - no big issues to report

Rusty Hoyt - new 443.300 on air in Tuscaloosa

Jack Evans - swapped locations on Shelby Co Repeaters

Other Reports:

Frank Butler - (Florida Repeater Council) There is a user near Tallahassee, FL that is using a UHF Internet Linking System that seems to be working well, and Frank has seen a demo at FRC Meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:05 am.

Respectfully Submitted

Kirk R Junkin, N4KRJ

Attendees	Dues
Kirk Junkin, N4KRJ	Lester Crane - \$10.00
Lester Crane, WA4CYA	Howard Grant - \$10.00
Cheryl Whitlock, AA4YL	Bob Luman - \$10.00
Tommy Golden, W4WTG	Bill Clingan -\$20.00 (& W4VCC)
John Walker, KE4NRZ	Jack Evans - \$10.00
Bob Luman, W4MPQ	David Bash - \$10.00
Bob Schafer, KA4PKB	Jonny Walker - \$5.00
Jack Evans, KC4PZA	Tommy Golden \$10.00
Steve Flory, W9KOP	Total \$ 85.00
Jacque Flory, N4VCN	
Bill Clingan, KC00NR	
Rusty Hoyt, KG4QBE	
David Bash, KI4IKM	
Howard Grant, K4WWN	
David Drummond, W4MD	
Frank Butler, W4RH	