

Minutes, TCARC Board Meeting, 1 February 2012  
Culver's on Neil, Champaign, Illinois

Present:

Wayne Hamilton AB9FJ, President  
Jim Crisman N9AJV, Vice President  
Milt Forsberg K9QZI, Treasurer  
Chris Anderson W9CMA, Secretary  
Paul Toth N9XDN, Director  
Larry Mohr K9LMM, Director  
Jeremy Lamb KC9KGJ, Past President  
Al Wolfe K9SI

1. Treasurer's Report for January 2012 was approved as distributed.
2. Minutes of the January 2012 Board Meeting were approved as distributed.
3. A discussion of the pros and cons of replacing the '76 repeater with a newer unit was tabled for future consideration. Jeremy informed us that this coming Spring, the local digipeater will be refurbished and an Igate added.
4. Jim has a .ppt on propagation for the February meeting and hopes someone can present it. We also have an ARVN video on standing waves which might be a good complement.
5. Auction scheduled for April 14, 2012, 9am-5pm.
6. Insurance due in March, we plan to renew through ARRL.
7. Paul continues to investigate ideas for activities, including combining foxhunting and geocaching, a pre-Field Day set-up/demonstration, and a get-together for new hams ("Ham 101").

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Regular monthly meeting, 14 February 2012, 135 Fire Service Institute Building, 7:00 PM, 13 attendees.  
Jim N9AJV gave a presentation on propagation, and we viewed two videos, a short one from ARRL and Episode 34 of "Ham Nation" <http://twit.tv/show/ham-nation/34> with Bob Heil (K9EID), Gordon West (WB6NOA), and John Amodeo (NN6JA), Producer of the ABC show *Last Man Standing*.