

Minutes, TCARC Board Meeting, 6 March 2013
Culver's on Neil, Champaign, Illinois

Present:

Wayne Hamilton AB9FJ, President
Jim Crisman N9AJV, Vice President
Milt Forsberg K9QZI, Treasurer
Chris Anderson W9CMA, Secretary
Kevin Coogan KC8RFE, Director
Brad Luhrsen K9BSL, Director
Paul Toth N9XDN, Director
Al Wolfe K9SI
Paul Whalen K9CMI

Auction:

Setup is at 9:00, check-in 11:00, Auction 1:00, clear of facility 4:30 preferred.

Tickets will be \$3, the additional dollar to fund the HT prize. Motion by Jim to have Milt purchase a Chinese (Baofeng) HT for the Grand Door Prize, seconded by Kevin. No objections.

Steve KR4S will not be able to attend, but a colleague will bring merchandise to sell.

Jim will coordinate food, utensils, pie sign-up (he will request that members bring pies to donate for slice sales and auction of any remaining whole pies), coffee, and food sales. He will also provide sales tags for auction items.

Al has requested tables. He will pursue auctioneers. He will also collect tableware, napkins, cups, etc., reportedly in abundant supply in the trailer.

Milt will purchase a new HT (see above) and also has the usual small items for door prizes. We are encouraged to bring other things, such as tape measures, small tools from Harbor Freight, etc.

Milt will bring a talk-in radio, as well as run ticket sales and cash in/out.

Mike is unable to attend but will lend us his laptop and printer for transaction records. Chris will coordinate the loan and setup as well as data entry and receipt printouts.

There is a new D-STAR system in Danville, not built with Icom equipment. Users of that system are requesting that we register them to use the Gateway, and Milt explained the difficulties and potential problems with this.

EchoLink still seems to be behaving erratically, occasionally going offline.

February Minutes approved as distributed.

February 2013 Treasurer's report approved as distributed.

NFP: Jim reported that we are waiting for the State of Illinois' response to our application. Tim will be our Registered Agent. We need to license the trailer in the Club's name: its registration has either expired as of December or will expire in April--Jim will work on that.

Meeting topics: Milt on SDR for March, waiting on Kermit for April.

Brad resigned his Director position effective immediately. Jeremy has indicated willingness to be appointed. We will confirm that with him.

Regular monthly meeting, 12 March 2013, 134 Fire Services Institute Building, 24 attendees.

Jeremy, KC9KGG, was appointed to fill the remainder of Brad's term as Director.

Milt, K9QZI, demonstrated the Flex-3000 Software-Defined Radio, which has an amazing array of features and functions, including record and playback.