

Minutes, TCARC Board Meeting, 7 January 2015
Culver's on Neil, Champaign, Illinois

Present:

Wayne Hamilton AB9FJ, President
Paul Toth N9XDN, Vice President
Milt Forsberg K9QZI, Treasurer
Chris Anderson W9CMA, Secretary
Jeremy Lamb KC9KGJ, Director
Al Wolfe K9SI, Director

December 2014 Minutes approved as submitted.

December 2014 Treasurer's report approved as distributed, pending minor adjustment to reflect a member's contribution paid along with dues. [The corrected report was distributed at the January 13 meeting.] Milt clarified a Field Day expense and highlighted a recent contribution. He also noted that there had been no claims for Field Day food reimbursement.

501(c)3: Milt has received another IRS letter stating our status has been cancelled. Wayne will look into it again.

The D-STAR system is still showing some glitches. Wayne and Milt continue to investigate it.

Wayne has conferred with the Somer Township representative, and we are on their schedule for the use of Ford-Harris Park in June for Field Day weekend.

Auction dates were discussed. Milt will get in touch with Steve and see if April 11 or 25 would work, either for him or his assistant. Al will ask if the church would like to prepare and sell food for our lunch.

Programs: The usual ideas were discussed, as well as to have a backup plan for a last-minute cancellation. Wayne suggested we present favorite ham-related web sites, mailing lists, bulletin boards, etc. this month. Paul is working on his new installation and may have something to show in February.

The club callsign W9SEH needs a new trustee. Ben K9BF had volunteered to do it, but current regulations only allow an amateur licensee to hold trusteeship of one club callsign, and he is already trustee for K9CU. Milt is already a trustee for a club callsign. The "job" carries little responsibility. However, Milt and Al suggest the trustee should be an Extra Class licensee. Paul is willing to take it if no one else is interested.

The cost of producing and mailing our monthly newsletter has dropped significantly since we started offering the email option. Wayne suggested we include additional material in the electronic version, while keeping the printed and mailed version at a single sheet. In addition to providing more material for members to enjoy, this would be a further incentive to switch to email-only distribution.

Regular monthly meeting, January 13, 134 Fire Service Institute. 14 in attendance. Members' favorite radio-related web sites presented.