



# Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance

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## Minutes of the April 8, 2009 Meeting

- The meeting of the Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance was brought to order by President Richard Ranta K8JX at 7:30 P.M. There were ten members present. President Richie K8JX had us introduce ourselves.
- **Secretary Report** – Char WD8LGN read the March 11, 2009 secretary's report. There was one correction. The motion to approve was made by Larry KC8KVR seconded by Rich K8JX. Approved.
- **Treasurer's Report** – Jerry W8MSK had no report.
- Char WD8LGN read the By-Law change regarding Newsletters to amend Article 9-B. It reads as follows:
- The MARA newsletter shall be delivered by being posted on the MARA website. The only exception shall be for MARA MEMBERS WHO DO NOT HAVE E-MAIL SERVICE. Mail delivery of a hard copy shall be provided for those members only.

It was voted on and the third reading was approved. Motion passed.

## Committee Reports

- **The following Committees have nothing new. Special Events , Alternative Fund Raising, Repeater Site, Bereavement, Field Day, Membership.**  
**Great Lakes Award:** Larry KC8KVR received 10 Euros from DD8HB Rolf Bade  
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23568 Luebeck,  
GERMANY . Larry will return the Euros since James K8JHR plans to pay for it and will send it out.
- **Newsletter:** Not ready to publish yet.
- **Website:** Rich K8JX said there is no time listed for our monthly meeting and he will add it.
- **Two Meter Net:** Bruce WD8KPQ lined up NCS for upcoming weeks. Larry KC8KVR needs a non working Icom with female mic jack (27H with 8 pins) to fix a microphone for Bob who will then be able to take NCS in rotation for us.

## Old Business

- Rich K8JX talked to Rich Douglas KC8NKA but no representative was able to attend tonight's meeting. They will talk with Rich.
- Rich K8JX told us our printer needs a new drum or we need a new printer. Cost of replacing the drum is \$118. Discussion about our options followed. Bruce made a motion stating that he will look into the cost of a new printer with specifications on number of sheets per cartridge and the speed of printing. The motion passed and we will check into it.



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## New Business

- Mike K8OOK said the ARRL is having the 2009 QSO party which if we can we should get into one.
- Marian said Mike K8OOK has been in radio 50 years.
- There was no other new business.

The motion to adjourn was made by Jerry W8MSK and seconded many. The meeting adjourned at 8:29 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Charlotte Reffeor, Secretary, MARA