



# Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance

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## Minutes of the April 9, 2008 Meeting

- The meeting of the Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance was brought to order by President Richard Ranta K8JX at 7:33 P.M. There were thirteen members present. President Richie K8JX had us introduce ourselves.
- **Secretary Report** – Char WD8LGN read the Mar 12, 2008 secretary's report. There were no corrections. The motion to approve was made by Wayne KB8VOZ seconded Richie K8JX. It was accepted.
- **Amendment to change Article 9E of the By-Laws:** The second reading was made of the change to Article 9E from the By-Laws which reads as follows:  
9E. Persons 70 years or older shall pay \$5.00 per year for membership due on January 1<sup>st</sup> will be dropped with a grandfather clause for present members who are now over 70. Any members reaching 70 from now on will pay the \$20 dues. Vote was taken all approved.
- **Treasurer's Report** – Jerry W8MSK read the treasurer's report. The balance from last report was \$1324.13. The income and expenses netted (\$101.12). We have an ending balance of \$1223.01. We have a balance of \$50.53 in the entertainment fund. The motion to approve the report was made by Richie K8JX seconded by John NF8P. It was accepted.
- **Trustee:** Larry KC8KVR will check out the site.

## Committee Reports

- **The following Committees have nothing new. Trustee--Technical Committee, Special Events, Bereavement, Newsletter, Web Master, 2-Meter Net Coordinator.**
- **Great Lakes Award:** Larry KC8KVR sent out Award #278 again to DL2VA from Germany. He did not receive the first mailing. Larry KC8KVR has one new award for VE3HUR Don Stalkowski.
- **Alternative Fund Raising:** The question was raised as to when to send out fliers to other clubs about our Spaghetti Dinner. We decided to have a mailing in August to local hams. Wayne KB8VOZ suggested we also contact radio stations for an ad.
- **Operation Care:** Rich K8JX mentioned our section of 131 may be closed for construction which would mean we would have no operation care this year. We will check on that.



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- **Field Day:** Mike needs people and or radios to replace Louis if he is not able to attend. Larry KC8KVR gave us our last chance to order field day tee shirts.
- **Membership:** Mike saw WD8CCV in a parking lot and sent an invitation to visit and join our club.

## Old Business

Mike K8OOK mentioned putting up a table at the GRARA Hamfest to sell the radio a group of us bought from Louis N8ZVB if he does not redeem it. Larry KC8KVR will also have a table.

We need to send out the awards for New Hams.

## New Business

Mike K8OOK said we may need to replace Louis N8ZVB and Gaye at Operation Care.

The motion to adjourn was made by Jerry W8MSK and seconded by Char WD8LGN. The meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Charlotte Reffeor, Secretary, MARA