

Minutes of the June 14, 2006 Meeting

The meeting of the Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance was brought to order by President James Cordes KI8JD at 7:32PM. Jim had us introduce ourselves to each other.

Secretary Report – Richie Ranta gave the May 10, Th 2006 secretary's report. Larry KC8KVR made a motion to accept the report as given: Louie N8ZVB. The motion passed.

Treasurer's Report – Jerry W8MSK reported we have a starting balance of \$1906.27. Our ending balance is \$1673.06 with \$101.75 from 50/50. Also on hand \$233.21 from Operation Care which has still to be deposited.

Rich K8JX made a motion to accept, seconded by Gaye White
The report was accepted as presented.

Trustee's Report –Rich K8JX stated the clock has been successful set and he is now working on going through each line of the controller to document what it is doing. When Larry KC8KVR returns from his trip, and we get Field Day and the 4th of July coffee stop out of the way, we'll kill the weeds at the site and put in crushed stone.

Committee Reports.

2-Meter Net Coordinator: Bruce WD8KPQ said he needs a NCS for June 15 and the 22nd. Rich K8JX volunteered to be NCS on June 15 and Bruce said he will trade with Rich.

Technical Committee: NR

Education:NR

Membership: Mike K8OOK said he has some ideas in mind, and will present them later.

Special Events: The applicant from Spain, e-mailed Larry to inform him he had received his GLA award.

Larry turned in money from the GLA.

Larry also presented bills from the electric extension cords and poles he bough for our new Operation care set up.

Rich K8JX made a motion to pay them; Lee W8ZP seconded them They passed.

Great Lakes Award: Larry KC8KVR reported a new award number 269 to EA3GHZ.

Old Business

Operation Care Coffee Stop: Jim turned in bills for the grape drink, cookies, creamer, napkins and garbage bags. They totaled \$96.01. Lee W8ZP made a motion to pay the bills, seconded by Peg. The motion passed.

Jim said he is going to send letters of appreciation to all who helped operate Memorial Day Coffee stop.

We then had a discussion about holding the 4th of July coffee stop. We're about 6 volunteers short this year and the traffic at the rest area seems to be down.

We also need to seek donations for the orange drink and cookies. Jim said he will contact Chris KC8MIL and Pam KC8VUB about getting the orange drink from the Sparta MacDonalds and Rich K8JX will contact Leonard about securing cookies.

Louie said he may not be able to supply apple during the 4th: his company is shutting its door till the fruit season starts again.

We then proposed the following schedule for the 4th of July operation.

We will set up on Sunday, at noon. Then have a shift from noon till 5PM and then 5PM till 10PM. We'll close the operation till Tuesday when it will be operated from 8AM to Noon, then Noon till 4PM and then 4PM to 8PM close.

New Business

Field Day Chairman: Mike K8OOK said we will meet at 9AM June 24th, at the international House of Pancakes for breakfast, and then proceed to the Field Day site.

We will be eating at 6PM and please bring a dish to pass. Breakfast at the Field Day site will be on Sunday morning at 8AM.

We need a HF Vertical. We also need a way to put up the wire antennas. Jerry W8MSK said he will bring a sling shot to do that. We also need more operators. We have two radios, but Lee W8ZP volunteered to bring his ts-830.

Mike said he will probably go with keeping a written log, they don't get lost.

Jim asked the trustee to start running messages on our repeater telling about our Field Day.

He also said we'll be coming out with another issue of our newsletter before the Field Day.

There was no further New Business.

KC8KVR made a motion to adjourn,
Jerry W8MSK seconded the motion

The meeting ended at 8:37 PM

Respectfully submitted,
Richard Ranta K8JX
Secretary
Corrected on 7/12/2006