



Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance  
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The following are tentative minutes of the July 9th, 2014 MARA meeting subject to correction and/or approval at the next meeting.

The July 9th meeting was called to order at 7:37 PM. Introductions were given. The following were in attendance:

KD8NSU, N8XQH, K8OOK, KC8KVR, KD8UCP, N8GS, K8JX, KD8ZAT, KD8JB, K9BOJ, KD8SZZ, KD8SOR, W8MSK, and KD8ULU via Skype.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. Richard made a motion to approve, 2nd by Mike, KD8JB, passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Previous balance was \$3588.21. We paid out \$74.00 for the postal box rental. New balance is \$3514.21. Motion to approve by Larry, 2nd by Richard, passed.

Trustee's Report:

The repeater was off the air from 2AM until 10:30 AM on Monday. This was due to a power outage, equipment is OK. K8TB has offered a 7 day battery backup. Richard will check with T&W if backup power is OK with them. He will also price deep cycle batteries and a good charger. SATERN has been using the repeater during foul weather. Motion to approve by Corey, 2nd by Matt, passed.

Committee Reports

Field Day/Special Events: Larry reported and all agreed that the Field Day operation went well. A noise problem was partially corrected, other noises may have been atmospheric or storm related. Paul has volunteered to set up a computer logging network for next year. Larry made a motion to rent the building at the Sportsmen's Club for next year's Field Day at \$200. Barton 2nd and countered with \$300 to cover any contingencies, passed.



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2 Meter Net: all OK, could use more control stations.

Webmaster: Field Day photos going up soon on the website. (sec. note: after the end of the meeting, the members were shown a aerial video of the Field Day site taken by Gale's drone. That and other FD video's will be put on Erin's private U tube account with links shown on the Website).

HAB: None

Fund raising: None

Membership: Dan, KD8ZAT and Nicki, KD8ZAS have passed their Technician exams. Barton made a motion, 2nd by Larry to offer them club member ship thru 2014, passed.

Newsletter: It is out

Great Lake Award: None

Bereavement: None

Old Business

None

New Business

A Madison Square Sportsmen's Club official attended the Field Day Site and was giving a tour of the operations. He was impressed with Gale's drone and would like to use his expertise for future club events and promotions.

Richard made motion, 2nd by Gale to adjourn at 8:24 PM, passed.

Submitted by Mike, K800K, MARA Secretary