



Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance  
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The following are the tentative minutes of the Nov 12th, 2014 MARA meeting subject to correction and/or approval at the next meeting.

The Nov 12th MARA meeting was called to order at 7:31 PM.  
Introductions were given. The following were in attendance:

N8XQH, KC8KVR, K8PZ, KD8NSU, KD8ZAS, KD8ZAT, K8OOK, Peg, N8GS,  
KD8JB, N8NIJ, K9BOJ, W8MSK, KD8SZZ by phone, KD8ULU via Skype.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. Under Old Business, it should read KD8QQ's antenna and tower, not his equipment. N8GS made a motion to approve as amended, 2nd by KD8JB, passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Previous balance was \$2980.84, we received \$89 from 50/50 receipts, paid N8GS \$352.31 for the repeater building, paid KC8KVR \$58.52 for paint and supplies. New balance is \$2659.01. Larry made a suggestion to pay for repeater tower rental thru March. Jerry mentioned that we have a 12 month agreement, so it was decided to honor our agreement and pay for 12 months, needed or not. Motion to approve by Jerry, 2nd by Barton, passed.

Trustee's Report:

Yaesu has approved a big discount for the new repeater which should arrive around the first of the year. Gale checked the cans they appear to be OK. A rubber roof is installed on the shed and the door is ready to mount. We made 107 QSOs in the ARRL CW SS. Glitches in N1MM logging program were worked on.. Gale has invited everyone back for SS-SSB, 4PM until midnight on Saturday and from noon until 10 PM on Sunday. Motion to approve by Barton, 2nd by Paul, passed.



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Committee Reports

Field Day/Special Events: Gale suggested running 2 stations instead of 3 stations for 2015 Field Day, decision postponed. We were in 144th place in 3A category for the 2014 Field Day.

2 Meter Net: K9BOJ NCS for 11/20, KD8JB will run an informal net on 11/27 Thanksgiving, KD8ZAT NCS for 12/4, KD8ULU NCS 12/11.

Webmaster: ARRL SS SSB and Russian multi-mode contest rules are posted. Obituary added for KB8MZR.

Fund Raising: Dan, N8NIJ was given an arousing applause for the great job on Burger Night.

Membership: None

Newsletter: Paul needs photos and articles by 12/1 to get the newsletter out by the December meeting.

Great Lakes Award: None

Bereavement: None

Old Business

None



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New Business

Barton took a survey, there are 41 voting members, 39 hams and about 20 ARRL members. There is a minimum number to retain ARRL affiliation, we are very close. He will check further..

Barton asked 3 times for any further nominations for the 2015 Board, hearing none and nothing in the PO Box, nominations were closed.

N8NIJ made a motion to elect the nominees by acclimation, 2nd by Erin, passed.

Dan, N8NIJ, is willing, if enough interest, to start a CW class in 2015. They could be held a half hour before the meeting and Larry volunteered his home for other sessions. GRARA also supposedly has a couple "on air" sessions.

Gale made a motion, 2nd by Peg, to adjourn at 847 PM, passed.

Submitted by Mike, K8OOK, MARA Secretary.