



Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance
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The following are the tentative minutes of the Jan 14th, 2015 meeting subject to correction and/or approval at the next meeting.

The Jan 14th MARA meeting was called to order at 731PM. Introductions were given. The following were in attendance:

N8XQH, KD8SZZ, N8NIJ, N8GS, KD8JB, K8PZ, KC9PWL, K8OOK, W8MSK, KC8KVR, KD8VQB and KD8ULU via Skype.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. N8NIJ made a motion, 2nd by KD8JB to approve the minutes, passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Previous balance was \$3400.28. We made the following payouts: Antenna Design-\$120.00, W8MSK-\$20.00, Larry for the controller-\$536.86, N8GS-\$118.77 for repeater supplies. There were deposits of \$230 from dues, \$80 from 50/50 and \$127.50 from W8UZ from the KD8QQ estate for our share of the antenna and tower sales. New balance is \$3015.13. Gale made a motion, 2nd by Barton, to approve the report, passed.

Trustee's Report:

The repeater was received on 12/23, it went online on 12/27 at 20 watts, a few days later, raised to 50 watts. We need to install Poly-phasers yet. It was minus 18 degrees at the repeater site this AM but still working. Notice sent to the Repeater Council that we are operational. The computer was delivered and will start set-up this weekend. Some noise on the repeater, possibly from a nearby 900 Mhz antenna. Gale measured 20 miles to the horizon from the upper antenna. Larry made a motion, 2nd by Corey, to approve the Trustee's report, passed.

Committee Reports

Bereavement: none

Field Day/Special Events: Larry reported that the firing range will be open during Field Day.



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2 Meter Net: Larry gave a run down of recent check-ins with their QTH's and power. Mike Hood's revised net script will be on the website. NCS schedule 1/15-Gale, 1/22-Larry, 1/29-Corey, 2/5-KD8JB, 2/12 KD8ULU

Webmaster: Repeater info is updated, recent newsletter is posted, info on Senate Bill SB0493 posted, after Christmas dinner info page had been updated. E-mail Erin if you have any updates or announcements.

Fund Raising/Burger Nite is April 24th

Membership: Invitation to join MARA sent to K8GAP

Newsletter: No report

Great Lakes Award: One inquiry received thru the website.

Old Business

Still working on the easement grant.

New Hams Dinner is set for 2/7. Corey made a motion to donate not more than \$50.00 for prizes, etc, 2nd by Gale passed.

Dan asked where we were with insurance for the repeater, still working on it, possibly rider on Gale's insurance.

New Business

None

Dan made a motion, 2nd by Gale to adjourn at 812PM, passed,

Submitted by Mike, K800K, MARA Secretary