



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

The January 9th meeting was called to order at 730 PM. The following were in attendance: KD8SZZ, K8OOK, N8NIJ, W8MSK, N6PLL, KD6RGX, KC8KVR, KE8JUF, W8RJC, K9BOJ, Peg, W8DAY, and KD8KZE. Introductions were given.

The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. Dan made a motion, 2nd by Dave to approve the minutes as read, passed.

Treasurer's Report: The previous balance was corrected to \$3199.44. A \$20 check was written to the State of Michigan for the annual report. A \$250 check was written to the Red Cross for victims of the Paradise, CA fire. We received 75 dollars from dues and Xmas party payments. The new balance is \$3004.44. Paul made a motion, 2nd by Larry to approval the report as read, passed. The cost of the new repeater will be shown next month.

Trustee's Report: The new repeater and a 440 antenna for the control frequency were installed by Corey on 12/28. Traverse City has joined West MI Connect.

Committee Reports:

2 meter net: NCS signup sheet went around, NCS for 1/10-K9BOJ, 1/17-KD8SZZ (simplex), 1/24-KD8JB, 1/31-K8OOK, 2/7-W8DAY.

Membership: nothing

Newsletter: it is out, Paul is requesting unique antenna articles for the next newsletter.

Webmaster: updates as time permits

Fund raising: next burrito night is May 3rd



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Bereavement: Marian Dowling passed away recently. She was the wife of a past president of MARA, Wayne Dowling, K8WMD who passed about 10 years ago.

Great Lakes & Club Awards: none

Field Day: Our spot at MSSC has been reserved and payment made.

Old Business: none

New Business:

The New Hams (Get out of the Cabin) dinner is scheduled for Feb 23rd, no other details at this point. Corey made a motion, 2nd by Jerry to authorize up to \$40 for prizes, passed.

Peg reminded us to not forget the White Elephant exchange for our Christmas Party.

Joe, KE8JUF brought up the idea of a Facebook site for the Club. Most local clubs have one. It would be open for public viewing but only members could post. Paul made a motion, 2nd by Dan, passed, that we look further into the idea. Joe will investigate and have a report for next month.

N8GS will insure the new repeater at replacement cost, not what we paid.

Dan made a motion, 2nd by Corey to adjourn the meeting at 823 PM, passed.

Submitted by Mike, K8OOK, MARA Secretary