



Michigan Amateur Radio Alliance
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The following are the tentative minutes of the May 8th meeting subject to correction and/or approval at the next meeting.

The May 8th meeting was called to order at 729 PM. Introductions were given. The following were in attendance: KD8SZZ, K8OOK, N8NIJ, W8MSK, AA8YC, N6PLL, KE8JUF, N8GS, W8DAY, KD6RGX, KC8KVR, Peg, K9BOJ, KD8KZE. The Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting. Minutes amended as followed, Paul will bring a TS-480, not a FT-480 to Field Day. Paul made a motion, 2nd by Dan, to approve amended minutes, passed.

Treasurer's Report: The previous balance was \$1590.67. We wrote a check of \$450 to Dan for Burrito Night supplies, received \$112 from 50/50 drawings, \$60 from dues, gross receipts for Burrito Night of \$944.67, new balance is \$2257.34. The net profit from Burrito Night is around \$464.49. Corey made a motion, 2nd by Dan to approve the report, passed.

Trustee's Report: Gale did some general clean up in the repeater shack, sealed and lubed connectors as needed. Gale also reported that 17 meters was wide open to Eastern Europe on FT-8 and he made many contacts.

Committee Reports:

2 meter net: 2 meter net: net control sign-up sheet went around. Sign up on the website not possible yet. Net control for 5/9-KE8JUF, 5/16-KC8KVR (simplex), 5/23-W8DAY, 5/30-KD8SZZ, 6/6-K8OOK, 6/13-KD8KZE, 6/20-K9BOJ (Simplex).

Membership: None

Newsletter: Recently published, as mentioned, we need a head count by 6/15 for those attending Field Day's Saturday PM Brisket dinner. Also bring a dish to passed, potato salads covered.

Webmaster: Some Updates

Fund Raising: Dan was thanked for a good job, we decided that we need to purchase another shell warmer and some large spoons.



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Bereavement: W8KQM, past member and frequent repeater user passed away late last year but his death just now became public. RIP Glenn.

Great Lakes & Club Awards: The results of the Michigan QSO party at Larry's house using W8USA is as follows: 82 QSOs, 37 counties, 8 states, 1 providence, for a raw score of 3936.

Field Day: We will use category 3A, commercial power. Much discussion about stations. The computers will be wireless connected. We always have a need for power strips, extension cords, jumpers, rope, desk lamps, head phones, coax, etc. See Newsletter above.

Old Business: None

New Business: Larry will rent 3 tables for the IRA swap. Paul suggested that it would be good for the Club to have a banner to advertise W8USA at various functions, some discussion but no decision was made.

Corey made a motion, 2nd by Gale to authorize James to spend up \$250 for purchase of the Brisket for Field Day, passed. A drawing for made for the first FT-70DR. The winner was KE8LIQ, Johann. The 2nd drawing might be at the IRA swap. Gale made a motion, 2nd by K8OOK, to adjourn the meeting at 820 PM, passed.

Submitted by Mike Eilers, K8OOK, MARA Secretary.