Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club Minutes June 5, 2017

The monthly meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was called to order on Monday, June 5, 2017 at 1903 by President Klaus Mueller, WOLKE, with 20 members and 5 guests present.

The minutes of the last meeting were read by secretary, Karen Brewington, KD0JMO, and approved as read.

President Klaus Mueller, WOLKE, read the treasurers report from Treasurer Judy Bradley. The ending balance for May was \$3,396.67. Checks were written to Dan Russell, KDOIXM, for work on the Scopus tower in the amount of \$1,900, Barry Doyle, ACOWL, for the base station antennae in the amount of \$124.95, to IDNS for domain services for 5 years in the amount of \$180, and to Mercer Consumer for the insurance policy in the amount of \$242. Judy deposited \$75 for dues, a \$15 donation from Dennis Ponseness and \$20 for the sale of 2 ARRES shirts giving us a new balance of \$1,059.72. The treasurer's report was approved as read.

Old Business:

Dan Russell, KD0IXM, reported that all repeaters are doing fine.

Mike Niemeier, NOAKR, gave the EOC report stating that there is nothing new.

Ernie Chiles, WORMS, reported that there is nothing to report for ARES

Penny Wheeler, KD0GXZ, presented information and sign-up sheets for working Field Day which will be June 24-25. Barry Doyle, AC0WL, stated that we need to have enough people to operate the mobile station for the entire 24 hour period and asked for a show of hands of those that would be willing to work the event. After much discussion, a motion was made by Barry Doyle, AC0WL, and seconded by Dan Russell, KD0IXM, to cancel plans to participate in Field Day for this year due to lack of anticipated participation. The majority of members present voted to cancel participation for this year with 2 members voting to participate. It was decided that the club will concentrate on gearing up for 2018.

Dan Russell, KDOIXM, reminded everyone of the upcoming eclipse and reported that there will be an educator workshop on June 20-21 at Southeast Missouri State University. Flyers regarding the meeting were distributed. As a reminder, the eclipse and coordinated balloon launch will be on August 21, 2017.

New Business:

Jody Rouse, KDOLDE, reported that Emac and CoAd gave an excellent presentation regarding tornados at their last meeting. Their August panel discussion will be on flooding.

Penny Wheeler, KD0GXZ, stated that the Perryville distribution center is still operating 3 days a week. She also stated that for future disasters monetary donations are best as the organizations are then able to supply those effected with the needed relief supplies.

Jody Rouse, KDOLDE, stated that she received a phone call from Mike Thayer from FEMA requesting access into Echo Link to monitor. It was noted that Eric Bennett, KEOATR, has the node to allow access. A motion was made by Dan Russell, KDOIXM, and seconded by Jody Rouse, KDOLDE, to make Echo Link open to all. Motion passed.

Barry Doyle, ACOWL, recognized Dan Russell, KDOIXM, for his exceptional job handling the Skywarn net! KUDOS!!!!

Penny Wheeler, KD0GXZ, suggested that those that want more practice on the radio get involved with ARES.

The June meeting of the Southeast Missouri Amateur Radio Club was adjourned at 1946.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Brewington, KD0JMO, Secretary, SEMOARC