



Minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held April 10, 2011 via teleconference

Members present: President Garry Jacobs VE6CIA, Vice-President: Bill Guthrie VE6OLD, Directors: Brian Crisall VE6BCA, Pete Racicot VE6NZ, Jack Humphries VA6IX, Steve Haugh VE6JG, and Secretary Rita Haugh VE6RIT.

Call to Order: President Garry Jacobs VE6CIA called the meeting to order at 13:35 hours.

Minutes of the previous meeting were distributed via e-mail. Brian VE6BCA noted that the paragraph under New Business, VE6LNK repair should read as follows. ***VE6LNK Repair** Les VE6OG of the **Quarter Century Amateur Radio Club** was wondering when the VE6LNK pass-through would be repaired. The VE6PP link radio was switched over to communicate with VE6NHB UHF Hub repeater. This works occasionally, but is not reliable. Brian VE6BCA thinks the VE6LNK pass-through controller has gone again. Having this switch at VE6LNK is no longer necessary. The link radios can be connected back to back, eliminating the need for a controller. The VE6PP link radio may also have to be reconfigured. Moved by Rita VE6RIT, seconded by VE6OLD that the minutes be accepted as amended. Carried.*

REPORTS

President: Garry VE6CIA reported that Red Deer had an acceptable Simulated Emergency Test yesterday; there were more than 30 check-ins. This meets the requirement for the emergency exercise required by CBC for us to remain on their towers.

Garry VE6CIA has talked with Glentel and the company has given SARA permission to put a UHF link into Limestone Mountain (VE6MTR).

Vice-President: Bill VE6OLD had nothing to report.

Treasurer: Ken VE6AFO was absent.

Membership: Tony VE6MVP was absent.

OLD BUSINESS

VE6LNK Repair: Work will need to be done this summer to get VE6LNK operational.

NEW BUSINESS

Fort McMurray Edmonton VOIP Link: Brian VE6BCA let Rick Houle VE6RDH from the Tarsands Amateur Radio Club in Fort McMurray that a new internet connection would be required for the Fort McMurray Edmonton VOIP link. Brian VE6BCA also let Rick VE6RDH know that SARA is not willing to incur the extra monthly expenses required for the internet connection. Brian VE6BCA suggested that the Tarsands club put in an IRLP node instead.

SARA Fall Flea Market Date: There has been a request to have the SARA fall flea market before Thanksgiving weekend. This year that would be October 1. As well, there is less likelihood of bad weather earlier in the month.

AGM: It will be held at 13:00 hours on June 18, 2011 in conjunction with the CAARC picnic at the Shady Nook Hall. The hall has a separate meeting room which will be to our advantage as we can have activities in the hall which the meeting is happening. The grounds are also much larger so things will be less crowded. Bill VE6OLD

has arranged for the propane barbecue and trailer again this year. He is also working at getting the buns and the hot dogs donated.

NEXT MEETING: May 15, 2011 via teleconference.

Bill VE6OLD moved the meeting be adjourned at 14:25 hours.