2007 April Membership Meeting Minutes

- * Prior to the beginning of the meeting, Jim, KC8KE handed out laminated membership cards to all current members.
- * Meeting began at 7:15 PM with introductions being made around the room. 27 people filled in the sign-in sheet.
- * Larry, K8GMO announced that he had brought four pizzas to the meeting.
- * A motion was made by Steve, N8UJD to accept the minutes of the March 2007 meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.
- * Joe, N8FQ presented the month's correspondence: a flyer and letter announcing the upcoming Cadillac hamfest. It was mentioned that the date of the hamfest conflicts with Kinderplaats.
- * Jim, KC8KE gave the treasurer's report: After paying all of the bills for March, the main account had a balance of \$5813.10, and the swap account remains at \$129.54.
- * Steve, N8UJD reported on the status of Tulip Time preparations. All spots have been filled for the Thursday and Friday parades, eleven volunteers are still needed for Saturday.
- * Dave, WA8RSA asked that the business meeting be put on hold for Skip, K8RRA's presentation on the Linux operating system.
- * The presentation ended at 8:25 PM, and a 15 minute break was held during which the club ate Larry's pizzas and Jim, KC8KE sold 50/50 tickets.
- * The 50/50 drawing was held at 8:40 PM. The \$10 jackpot was won by Rick, N8GGO, a tape measurer/audio recorder was won by Jim, KB8IDQ, a Haworth booklet was won by Ike K8EMU, and a set of laminated signs was won by Jim, KC8KE.
- * Jim, KC8KE offered for sale a Radio Shack HTX202 2 meter HT.

- * Phil, K8PVH requested volunteers for Field Day band captains.
- * Chuck, W8GCW read a list of equipment and volunteer services needed for Kinderplaats. A sign-up sheet for volunteers was passed around.
- * John, KC8QDE gave the swap report: a new vendor from Gaylord will be taking the place of ComDac, it may be possible to get extension cords from Big Dutchman again, and it was requested that the swap account checkbook be given to Sue, KC8RQS.
- * Rick, N8GGO, acting on behalf of the Volunteer Emergency Services Association, gave a \$50 check to the club for use of the repeaters.
- * Larry, KA8TEY thanked those who had bought street number signs from him and his wife, and reminded us that \$3 from each purchase will be contributed to the club.
- * Chuck, W8GCW suggested ways to give the club a friendlier image, including name tag stickers and greeting visitors at the door.
- * Charlie, N8QEM stated that there is a mess of sticks in the clubhouse yard that needs to be cleaned up by Tulip Time, since the city yard waste collection occurred as scheduled despite the snow cover.
- * Ernie, W8EL asked about having the clubhouse open for visitors during Tulip Time.
- * Chuck, W8GCW reported that the Holland Baptist Church wants to offer free water and religious tracts on the clubhouse's front lawn during Tulip Time.
- * The meeting was adjourned at 9:09 PM, and the building was secured at approximately 9:45 PM.

Like always, report any errors or omissions (I'm sure there are a few of both) to me.

-Joe, N8FQ