2007 September Membership Meeting Minutes

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Minutes from September 11 meeting:

- * The meeting was called to order at 7:21 PM, and introductions were made.
- * 35 people filled in the sign-in sheet.
- * John, KC8QDE reported that the swap will be held on October 20 at West Ottawa High School, and asked for volunteers to help with security and work details. About 5 people will be needed for each shift, expected to last 1 hour each. Volunteers will get free tickets.
- * John, WD8BWK mentioned that the Kalamazoo swap is 6 days before ours. He stated that he will promote our swap there.
- * Sue, KC8RQS reported that Chicago Surplus and DC Ace Electronics have signed up for the swap, and that EAE Sales will not be able to attend this year.
- * Dan, N8PPQ reported that the Zeeland High School amateur radio club was promoted during 9th grade orientation. Many students appeared interested but few joined the club.
- * It was reported that a sale would be held on September 15 at 9:30 AM at 29th and College. Tools, crafts, guns and some ham radio gear was to be offered for sale.
- * Ed, KF8EV said that the Extra class would begin on September 24, and be held each Monday night at 7:15 PM for 11 weeks, with a testing session on the 12th week. Chuck, W8GCW stated he would be holding a CW class at the same time.
- * It was moved that the minutes for the August 14 meeting be approved. The motion was seconded and passed.
- * Jim, KC8KE gave the treasurer's report: the main account had a balance of \$2681.91.
- * Sue, KC8RQS reported that the swap account had a balance of \$2218.96.
- * Don, KD8DAG turned in a DVD containing the work of the rewrite committee.
- * Charlie, N8QEM reported that he had brought in a new refrigerator for the club, and turned in a receipt for it.
- * Chuck, W8GCW stated that he intended to produce a program to be aired on Mac TV, which would show off the shacks of various club members, and document various club activities. He said that it would cost \$25 to do so; the club approved this expenditure.
- * Chris, KC8RQT mentioned the club's need for extension cords, not only for the swap, but for Field Day and other events throughout the year. The swap committee will buy some.
- * Chuck, W8GCW suggested that an inventory of the club's equipment be done. Joe,

N8FQ reminded the club of the "stuff wiki" at http://www.electroblog.com/harc/stuffwiki.php

- * Chuck, W8GCW brought up the yearly club banquet, to take the place of the November meeting. It was decided that we would have one this year, but the venue was not settled upon.
- * Tom, K8TB proposed that a fox hunt be held sometime during the month, however there was no interest from the club.
- * John, KC8QDE stated that he would work on the club's IRLP machine after finishing a video project. The computer appears to have hardware issues. The possibility came up of replacing the plain IRLP setup with EchoIRLP.
- * A break was held at 7:56 PM, and 50/50 tickets were sold.
- * The 50/50 drawing was held at 8:14 PM. The \$17.50 jackpot was won by Larry, KA8TEY. Sealed lead-acid batteries were won by Joe, N8FQ, Chris, KC8RQT, and Charlie, N8QEM. 4 more batteries were left for next month's drawing.
- * Doc, KD8BGQ gave a presentation on Red Cross Response Technology Teams.
- * The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 PM, and the building was secured at approximately 9:50 PM.

So there's that.

-Joe, N8FQ