

PPRAA Business Meeting Minutes

10 May 2017



The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by President Raleigh Holcomb at the IHOP Restaurant on Stetson Hills near Powers Blvd. Approximately 38 members and guests were present.

Silent Key: Nancy Rawson KD0RVE

Appreciation certificates were presented to Kara Nab of IHOP and to Jim Rader for outstanding service to the club.

Treasurer's Report Jim Madsen reported that we had \$9949.32 in our bank accounts as of 10 May 2017. A check for \$276.98 was received from King Soopers for our members' gift card use.

Committee Reports

Megafest Report

Jim Rader - Saturday, July 8, at Lewis Palmer High School. Plenty of help will be needed. Jim also needs to have someone take some flyers to HRO in Denver.

Future Projects

- Club Station Antennas - Raleigh would like to experiment with a shunt tower. Would also like to erect an additional tower for further antenna experimentation.
- Public Display - The club would like to have a display set up at a mall or similar venue for providing the public with info regarding amateur radio.

ARES Report

John Bloodgood announced that the delayed Skywarn training finally happened on April 22. The Falcon 50 was cancelled due to bad weather. Garden of the Gods 10 Mile run is next event on June 11 and volunteers are welcome. Mountain Top Cycling Club event is on June 17. Pikes Peak International Hill Climb is June 25. Weather nets are at 12:30 PM every day. EOSS is having a balloon launch this Sat. APRS monitors are needed for GPS tracking.

VP Report

Mike Anderson noted that he will be putting several items up for sale on the Reflector. He would like any Harbor Freight free item coupons you might have. Will be going up Pikes Peak on June 10 for a special event station. There will be a work day out at the club station this Saturday. Mike is also teaching an Amateur Extra class. Contact him if interested. If you take pictures at Field Day please forward them to Mike and Jerre for publication.

CCARC

Doug Neilsen attended the last meeting. If you want to have a 2-meter repeater, there is a waiting list for available frequency slots. Comments have been lodged with the ARRL concerning the inaccuracy of the ARRL Repeater Directory regarding Colorado repeaters.

Club Members

Les Borst has had to relocate to an assisted living facility and must dispose of his ham gear. He wants to donate the ham gear to the club on May 27, 9760 Arroyo Lane in Black Forest (8AM to 3:30PM pickup).. If you can go and help collect this gear and drop it off at Mike Anderson's, that would be a big help.

Program

Bob Witte presented a technical explanation and demonstration of Digital Mobile Radio (DMR) technology.

Upcoming Events

Next PPRAA board meeting: 6:30PM, Monday, June 12, 2017, at the IHOP Restaurant on Stetson Hills at Powers.

Next PPRAA regular meeting: 7PM, Wednesday, June 14, 2017. Same location as above.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
John Wishart NGØI
PPRAA Secretary
21 May 2017