



Fox River Radio League
"Established 1924"
An ARRL Special Service Club
W9CEQ PO Box 673 Batavia, IL 60510



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the General Membership of the
Fox River Radio League (FRRL) an Illinois not-for-profit Corporation
Held at Rasmussen College, Aurora, IL

Meeting Minutes November 11, 2008

Meeting called to order at 7:30 PM by Greg Braun – President with 59 members present

Special announcement: On October 15, 2008, 4 people died as a result of an Air Angels helicopter crash after it hit a WBIG tower support guy wire. The fatalities were as follows: Pilot: Delbert Waugh; Medic: Ron Battiato; Nurse: William Mann; Patient: Kirstin Blockinger. The FRRL UHF and VHF repeater antennas were removed from the tower when several tower sections were removed in order to make the remaining sections stable. There is no information regarding future of tower at this time.

Question of the Month: Do you want to see the spark gap transmitter or antenna patterns tonight?
Minutes of the previous meeting were available for review.

Secretary Report: Bill W9WRS – meeting minutes available on Web and Arc Over.

Treasurers Report: Larry W9OKI (Via N9CHA) - Total Assets: \$25,000 (Cash/Savings = \$8226 Certificates of Deposit = \$16,774)

Committee Reports

Newsletter: Bill N9FD – Looking for a new Arc Over editor. Printed copies sent, electronic version on web.

VE: Doug, W9RD, Next VE session November 18, 2008 at Rasmussen College.

Database: Chris KC9BKS – Reports 219 members. Renewals for 2009 will be accepted starting tonight. New memberships as of the October meeting will count as 2009 memberships.

Webmaster: Tom WB9CHY – Tom has done a fantastic job over the last few years, now he is looking for someone to take the position over.

Education: Eric KB9IDT – General upgrade class will be presented this fall.

Nominating Committee: Jason KC9MED chairperson, Kermit W9XA, and Phil W9XAN – the committee presented the official slate of nominees for the Board positions that are to be filled during the elections during the December general meeting.

The following is the slate:

President: Mike K9FE

Vice-president: Harry K9DXA

Secretary- Bill W9WRS

Treasurer: Dean KC9EOQ

Director: Adam KC9ITG, Craig AB9IV, Dick AH6EZ, and Larry W9OKI.

Motion to close nominations: Randolph W9HE, 2nd by Ken N9WCX. Motion passed unanimously.

Nets: Adam KC9ITG – Averaging 20 check-ins

Public Relations: A new PR person is needed. Contact any Board member if interested.

Special Events: Bart, KC9FQA - No new events at this time.

Program: Video- Antenna patterns.

Technical Committee: Mike K9FE – Linux SIG will resume at Greg N9CHA qth on Saturday, November 22, 2008. Rasmussen College was not available.



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Announcements:

- Emma Reher, wife of FRRL Member Vern Reher WA9VQY, passed away on Monday, November 3, 2008.
- Jerome Ahasic, father of FRRL Member Alan Ahasic W9AN, passed away on Tuesday November 4, 2008.
- Illinois QSO Party, logs due Nov. 20th
- FRRL Fox Hunt, Oct. 26th, N9CBA Tom was fox, hid in Bliss Woods, Sugar Grove, participants started in parking lot of Colonial Café in St. Charles (West Side), Greg N9CHA found the fox.
- Milwaukee Repeater Club Hamfest, Nov. 1st, and AES seminars, Kermit W9XA presented "Weak Signal SSB/CW/EME"
- Illinois D-STAR net on Wednesdays at 8 PM.

Current Business:

FRRL January Banquet: Dick AH6EZ – Jan. 24th at Walter Payton's Roundhouse. Roasted Prime Rib, Free Range Chicken Wellington, Vegetarian Plate, Cash Bar, Brewery Tour by Michael KC9JBX

The December 2, 2008 Board meeting will be at Rasmussen College in Aurora, IL.

The January 6, 2009 Board meeting will be at Rasmussen College in Aurora, IL.

The December 9, 2008 Board meeting will be at Rasmussen College in Aurora, IL.

The January 13, 2009 Board meeting will be at Rasmussen College in Aurora, IL.

The November 18, 2008 VE Session will be at Rasmussen College in Aurora.

Motion to adjourn by Adam KC9ITG Second by Ken N9WCX.

General meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Program to follow.

Respectfully Submitted:

Bill Stamps, W9WRS – FRRL Secretary