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Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club Minutes November 20, 2010

Call to Order: 08:00 by Brad KE7EOF

<u>Introductions:</u> David KB7GFL, Ken KE7ND, Wes KE7EEA, Brad KE7EOF, Mike WB7FJG, Dave W7AGJ, Ryan W7BEC, Mike KE7OKV, Martin AC7SI, John AC7LC, Mike KC7IFI, Tom K8TOM

<u>Secretary/Treasurer Report:</u> \$1,214.01 as of October 31, 2010. Activity: \$0.10 interest.

Repeater Status:

70 cm: Intermittent 2 m link: Intermittent

6 m: Unknown APRS: Unknown

<u>Old Business</u>: Our repeater seems to be intermittent lately. Last occurrence was on Wednesday, November 17th just before net at 20:00 hours. The system worked earlier in the evening and was running normally in the next day or so. Dave W7AGJ said there may a controller issue. The last record of the repeater having problems was the spring of 2009. John AC7LC would like to plan for the next bunny hunt in the spring.

New Business: Mike KC7IFI discussed information that ARES and RACES have combined to form Auxiliary Communications Service, ACS. The rational is for Hams to be more widely utilized in a disaster situation. To be a participant in ACS, FEMA courses 100, 200 and 700 must be completed, experience running a radio net, additional training and proficiency check of equipment and county radio vehicle operation. Additionally, a new ACS ID card is being implemented.

Good of the Order: None

Adjournment: 08:57 by Brad KE7EOF