W7SKY

Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club Minutes April 21, 2012

Call to Order: 8:00 by Bruce W7BCW

Introductions: Ryan W7BEC, Bruce W7BCW, Ken KE7ND, Mike KE7OKV, Diane KE6JRP, Charlie N6IBI, Brad KE7EOF, Wes KE7EEA, Bert N7TKO, David KB7GFL, Kris N7KDM, Mike KF7QDB (Guest), Ken KE7PMX, Tom K8TOM, Nathan KE7HOJ, Marty AC7SI, Dan N7ENE, John AC7LC

<u>Secretary/Treasurer Report:</u> \$2,021.20 as of 4/1; +\$141 deposit (dues + raffle)

Repeater Status:

70 cm: OK 2 m link: OK 6 m: OK

APRS: UNKNOWN

<u>Old Business:</u>. Bruce asked who had the repeater manuals. It is thought that Dave Axe still has all information on the repeater. Bruce will contact Dave to get the manuals so he can work on the repeater.

For Field Day, John suggested that we treat it as an actual emergency and not begin to setup until 11am. The club generally approved this. Charlie suggested that everyone meet on the club simplex frequency of 145.650MHz at 11am and a call will be made that everyone should meet at Lake Tye.

<u>Election:</u> A special election was held as a result of Mike WB7FJG stepping down from Vice President. The new vice president is Kathy Immel KE7CGE who was elected unanimously.

<u>New Business:</u> Charlie suggests keeping a tone of 103.5 turned on while transmitting on the club simplex frequency even while the repeater is down. This allows for Tone Squelch in the event of QRM/N.

Ryan proposed that the club sign up for a PO box in Sultan for \$52/year. A motion of approval was made by Mike KE7OKV and seconded by John AC7LJ. The motion was passed. Ryan will investigate better pricing before purchasing the box.

Ryan proposed spending up to \$1500 on a new repeater system. Mike KE7OKV pointed out that a similar motion passed in a previous year. Bruce will get in touch with Dave Axe and find out the status of purchasing a new repeater from George.

Good of the Order: Kris mentioned that the Oregon Trail Rally is coming up.

Adjournment: 8:22