### W7SKY

Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club Minutes - September 2013

Call to Order: 8:00 by Bruce

<u>Introductions:</u> Ryan W7BEC, John AC7LC, David KB7GFL, Ron W7LVG, Ken KE7ND, Kathy KE7CGE, Bruce W7BCW, Charlie N6IBI, Diane KE6JRP, Brad KE7EOF

Secretary/Treasurer Report: : \$1,565.43 (no activity), Cash: over \$148

## Repeater Status:

70 cm:

2 m link:

6 m:

APRS:

Charlie reports the repeater is down 90% of the time, and reports roughly 4 checkins on the net. Bruce is retiring and so should have more time to work on the repeater. He has not yet contacted his friend in Wenatchee. Charlie will be unable to run the net for the next 6 weeks, Bruce will attempt to take over in his absence. Charlie has simplified the net script and made it conform to ATS.

# Old Business:.

### **New Business:**

Ryan will email Tom a copy of the club roster for publishing to club members.

## **Good of the Order:**

David shared an NVIS antenna he made based on the talk that was given at a previous meeting. He put it on his fence and was able to make several contacts. David also worked his first JT65 contact last night.

Bruce shared a story about coax sparking due to lightning, and recommends disconnecting your antennas when lightning is anywhere in the area.

Adjournment: 8:19