

Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club Month, Year Meeting Minutes August 20, 2016

Call to Order: 08:45 by Dave KB7GFL.

Introductions: 11 in attendance.

Secretary/Treasurers Report: \$922.25 in bank account; \$8 in petty cash.

- Repeater Status / Net Report:70cm op with good to poor Rx; 2m link op; APRS reports of hearing but cannot
connect to; 6m Unknown right now, Dave KB7GFL reported it was working for him;
NET @ 19:30 hours every Tuesday status by Cybyl N6IBI averaging 4.5 check in's per
week.
- Old Business: Field Day site will be south of where it was for 2016 at Lake Tye Park. Need to rescue canopy from bus. Other sites like mountain top hard to find good site plus loose points not using public area. Discussion about Cybyl not being able to get into 70cm repeater due to atmospheric conditions including the weather. Have had issues before from hams in Index when it rains during summer when trees are full of wet leaves possible attenuation of signal.
- New Business: Dave KB7GFL handout of guest speakers for members to select what they would like to hear. This is what was selected: Lynn Burlingame, N7CFO - Winlink and Pactor III Kenny Richards, KU7M - HamWAN (Ham Radio Wide Area Network) Allan Kush, WV7R - Backup Generators. Tom K8TOM will be sending out notices to club members when the club minutes are available from the clubs website, he will no longer be attaching the minutes to the email notice. Bruce W7BCW asked club members for okeydokey on reimbursement for paying the web hosting fee's for the clubs website. The ok was granted.
- Good of the Order: Tom K8tom brought in some ARRL books that will be auctioned off at next month's meeting. John AC7LC showed pictures and discussed his latest endeavor in making a solar charger that switches between solar panel and AC power for charging batteries. Devin WA7DCG brought in a portable Yagi antenna he was given for Father's Day and showed how he mounts in on a tripod for satellite use. Yagi was from ELK (<u>https://elkantennas.com</u>).

Adjournment: 9:05 by Dave KB7GFL