

Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club

July 18, 2020 Virtual Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 0900 hours by Garth KA7BVS via ZOOM. The club now has a Zoom account so time limitations are eliminated. The previous month minutes were read and approved by Jim KI7WXT and John AC7LC.

Introductions: 13 members on ZOOM

Treasurers Report: \$519.05 in bank account. \$10.00 in cash

Webmaster Report: Video of Bruce W7BCW operating on Field Day. Webmaster Kathy K7THY announced more links to come soon.

Repeater Status/Net Report: The status of the repeater remains unchanged. The Yaesu DR-1X has failed and the ICOM RP4020 is running as backup. SVARC net schedule: 7/21 John AC7LC, 7/28 Kathy K7THY, 8/4 John AC7LC, 8/11 Tom K8TOM, 8/18 David KB7GFL, 8/25 Sharon KJ7EZB. Net is every Tuesday at 1930 hours.

Old Business: Bruce W7BCW reports that the status of the repeater is unchanged. Inquiries have been made about replacement components. Components and seller were not reliable so further inquiries will be made. Repeater performance during the net was discussed. Bruce W7BCW pointed out that there is a timer in the repeater that is set to time out at three minutes. If a user exceeds three minutes, the connection will drop out and the user will have to begin transmitting again.

New Business: The club won 2964 points during Field Day. David KB7GFL suggested that more contacts were made because each participant operating from home could be on the air as an individual rather than waiting a turn at a field site. The consensus was that while this theory was true, a field site was preferable. Participation in local events was put up for discussion by Kathy K7THY. Tom K8TOM suggested we consider participating in the 2020 Salmon Run event. This will be considered.

Good of the Order: No items

Adjournment: 10:15 by John AC7LC second by Jim KI7WXT.