## Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club Minutes April 15, 2006

Call to Order: 08:34 by John AC7LC

<u>Introductions:</u> David KB7GFL, John AC7LC, Bryan KD7LS, Dave W7AGJ, SteveWalser, Dan N7ENE, Brad KE7EOF

Secretary/Treasurer Report: Balance \$414.24 as of March 31, 2006 Activity +\$104 deposit and .15 interest.

Old Business: Both Bryan and Dave presented information about "Bunny Hunts". There are different ways to win such as being first, going against a clock with individual start times. Also discussed was the fabrication of directional antennas and attenuators. Procedures were also discussed among the club members. The club will discuss this again next month. Dave stated there were about 15 students attending per class. Several students commented in favor of the online tests in preparation for their test. The test is scheduled for Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>. As for Field Day, the club wants to use the same location and essentially the same set-up as last year. Food had not been decided on yet as well as who will bring what item. David will coordinate with the city of Gold Bar for use of the gazebo. Dave's report on the repeaters (2m/440) ... all is well.

New business: Brad said there would be a public event, Night Out Against Crime. This will be on Tuesday, August 1, 2006 by Lake Tye in Monroe. Also, Brad said the city of Monroe has obtained a surplus city bus and that bus will be converted into a command post. He is soliciting assistance for this conversion project. Dave made a motion that the club plays a part in this conversion. The motion was seconded and the club decided to support the bus conversion project. He is also looking for Hams interested in Monroe RACES. Contact Brad at Monroe City Hall.

Good of the Order: Dave showed this directional antenna he fabricated out of PVC and broken tape-measure blades.

Adjournment: 09:34 by John AC7LC

pay the vanity call sign regulatory fee in effect at the time the newal application reaches the FCC. Any Amateur Radio renewal application may only be filed within 90 days of the license expiration date.

Amateur Radio licensees holding vanity call signs granted prior to 1996 do not have to pay a regulatory fee when renewing. This is because Congress did not begin requiring the FCC to annually recover its regulatory costs until 1993. Additionally, such licensees are not specifically tagged as vanity call sign holders in the ULS. NNNN