

VVARA MEMBERSHIP MEETING June 20, 2012

The meeting at the Cottonwood Public Safety Building was called to order by President, Jeff Swiggers, N7ZZN, at 7:03 PM followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors and recent upgrades:

Joe Garner, KC6UTR, recently moved to Sedona from California. Bob Kucker is from this area and is interested in becoming a ham. Jeff Sykes, K5VU, is an RVer staying in Camp Verde. Frank Jossie, KF7VER, is a new operator from Camp Verde. There were no new upgrades.

Secretary's Report:

Secretary Mike Covey, KF7KXL, read the minutes from the May, 2012 membership meeting. Bob Thompson, KC8BOB, made a motion to accept the minutes as read, Bob Shipton, K8EQC, seconded, the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

The treasurer's report was given by Mel Boreham, N6BDC,; the current balance is \$7,071.12. Mel reported that tickets for the radio drawing were still available. The drawing will be held at Field Day, early on Saturday afternoon and there will be additional secondary drawings for various donated items.

Repeater Trustee's Report:

Mike Wingate, WA6LSE, reported that when construction on the other mountain top facility is completed our repeater will have a permanent power hookup. He gave an update on equipment and security improvements planned for our site and will organize a work party to complete the improvements. Leo Zuercher, KF7KXH, and Art Swiggers, AE7KQ, volunteered to be on the technical committee.

Old Business:

There was no old business.

New Business:

Jeff suggested that we issue an invitation to the members of YARC to attend our field day. After a discussion and review of the issues, Mike Covey made a motion that we issue an invitation to the YARC members to attend our field day, Bob Shipton seconded, the motion passed. Jeff agreed to send the invitation to YARC.

Bob Thompson reported that our field day site has been reserved and presented a thorough review of the current Forest Service fire prevention restrictions that will apply to our site on Field Day.

Jeff conducted an extensive review of Field Day issues ranging from setup on Friday afternoon, the picnic on Saturday, the solar trailer, HF, VHF and satellite operations and breakdown on Sunday. All aspects of Field Day operations appeared to be in good order.

Thanks to Cheryl Henriksen, KF7GCN, for cookies and Mel and Kathy for the coffee.

Bob Thompson made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Marny Zuercher, KF7QVK, seconded, the meeting adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Submitted by Mike Covey, Secretary