

VVARA Meeting 16 September 2015, Nate's Cowboy Cafe, Cottonwood AZ

The meeting was called to order by president Wayne Gilbertson WA7IGI at 7:00 pm, followed by the Pledge Of Allegiance.

Visitors and recent upgrades: 15 Club members present. Lyle Petrov KG7UEH upgrade to General Class.

Secretary Report: Leo Zuercher KF7KXH read the minutes from the 15 July 2015 meeting. Corrected to remove KB7TRC Gary from field day operators. Motion to accept as corrected by KF7QVK, second by KF7KXL Mike. Motion carried.

Treasurer Report: The treasurer's report was given by Mike Covey KF7KXL, July beginning balance at Credit Union West checking \$4727.87. Ending balance \$5390.58. Savings account beginning and ending balance: \$2905.33. Ending Total: \$8295.91. No activity in August, total remains \$8295.91. Move to accept subject to audit by WB6ODR Bob, second by AE7KQ Art.

Repeater Technical Committee Report: Mike Wingate WA6LSE reported New power amplifier failed, possibly relayed to lightning storm, returned to vendor (along with 35 others with same problem), currently working with 8 watt exciter output direct to antenna, will be increased shortly to forty watts. Controller socket problem – to manufacturer – two working controllers. MMRP inspection.

Membership: Bob Thompson KC8BOB reported one new member: Steven Raspbach KG7UHQ. Total membership 163, 59% ARRL.

Old Business: KA7LKW Carol is ramrod for the Christmas dinner.

New Business: KF7KXH Leo and KF7KXL Mike on third of three years permitted in the office. Mike suggested the Treasurer be located on the Verde side since the mailbox and accounts are so located. Tim and Sheryl suggested. KC7TIL Steve suggested to head the nominating committee.

Break at 7:33pm, no drawing. End break at 7:43.

Program: WA7IGI Wayne presented an overview of life on a submarine based on his experiences on the USS Pargo

Meeting adjourned at 8:45.

Submitted by Leo A. Zuercher KF7KXH, Secretary.