

## February 3rd 2012, IARC General Meeting Notes:

The meeting was called to order by President Danny Bailey, KB8STK and those present gave their names and call signs.

Treasurers Report: Dean, KB8MG said that due to him being so busy with the ham fest, he did not bring any of this month's financial reports to this meeting.

Membership: Tom, N8TWM said that according to his records, we have a total of around 40 paid members. (Since this meeting Tom, N8TWM has notified me that we have a total of 59 paid members).

Technical Committee: Dave, N8DPW said that the Lexington repeater, 443.225 146.2 PL is back up and on the air. He said that there are a few small projects they would like to finish with it, such as grounding the coax cable and other things that will help to make it lightning resistant.

Health and Welfare: Cathy, KC8SNP said that as far as she knew, there was nothing to report. Danny, KB8STK said that he had recently heard that Phil Ackerman, N8PA and his wife were not well. He said that he has not heard anything recent on either of them.

Education: Katie, KD8MGB said that the General Cram Class will be held over the weekends of March 16th-18th and March 23rd-25th. More information about this cram session can be found at our club's website [www.w8we.org](http://www.w8we.org).

ARES: Danny, KB8STK said that we recently had our district meeting at the county EMA. He said that we have a new Section Emergency Coordinator Matt Welch, W8DEC. Danny, KB8STK told us that our next IARC General Meeting will be held at the old Carpenter elementary school located near the intersection of Marion AVU. And Carpenter St. in Mansfield on March 2<sup>nd</sup>. This is due to us having a Leadership Meeting the following morning, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at the same location. Which we have to set up tables for. He next said that there will be a FL-Digi class on February 25<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM. This is to also be at the Carpenter elementary school. March 8<sup>th</sup> will be when our two Skywarn classes will be held here in Richland County. The first of these classes will take place at 1:00 PM at the Longview Center and the second class will be at 6:30 PM at the Lexington Senior Civic Center. Kris, KD8JBF said that Ashland County will also have a Skywarn training class on March 7<sup>th</sup> located at the Ashland County Sheriff's Annex. It will also begin at 6:30 PM.

Website: Steve, KD8GRM said that there is nothing new to report at this time. If anyone has anything for him to post, please send it to him and he will put it on the website as soon as possible.

At this time Danny, KB8STK told us that he has recently received two e-mail messages from club members who do not want us to pull our communications trailer to various events since we do not have any regulations as to how much we will pay someone to tow it for us. Danny, KB8STK said that this decision would be left up to the club's membership. After a discussion of whether we will take the trailer to the ham fest. Steve, KD8GRM made a motion to take the trailer to the ham fest and Mark, KC8MKL seconded. Motion passed. Further into this conversation John, KD8KEK volunteered to tow the trailer to the ham fest for free due to him already being there. Dan, AB8SI made a second motion to allow John, KD8KEK to tow the trailer to the ham fest. Myron seconded. Motion passed. At this time Danny, KB8STK said that we need to have a board meeting to put together a bi-laws committee to make new rules as to how much we will pay someone to tow the trailer to events.

Ham Fest: At this time, a very long discussion was held as to who would help with what part of the show.

Next Danny, KB8STK asked who wanted to be on the bi-laws committee mentioned earlier in the meeting. He said that we could have as many IARC members as we wanted in this group. After a brief discussion Rick KK8O, Don, KB8RYA, Cathy, KC8SNP, Mark, KC8MKL and Dave, N8DPW volunteered to be on this committee. Steve, KD8GRM said that he would create a distribution e-mail list through the club's website.

Old Business: Nothing new was brought up at this time.

New Business: Nothing new was brought up at this time.

At this time, no further business was brought up. Bill, N8TQ made a motion to adjourn and Dan, AB8SI seconded. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

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