

Newsletter 11/10/2008

Our last meeting was on 10/14/2008 Tuesday at 7:00. Randy Hargrove opened the meeting and welcomed members and guest. There were 11 in attendance and Lenny Van a visitor made the offering. We all introduced ourselves before Bob McWilliams KD5VAU gave the minutes for the last meeting. Ray Lively W5DLC made a motion to accept the minutes and Cindy Sims N5RZR seconded the motion. McWilliams then gave the treasury report, and at this time expressed some concerns that our yearly fund raiser had not done real well at the Peanut festival and hoped that we would do better at Christmas on the square. The treasury report motion to accept was made by Tommy Walton KE5TLW and seconded by Cindy Simms N5RZR seconded . We also voted to OK the payment of some maintenance bills and bills for the fund raiser, which passed.

Old business

Gene Grimes AD5QR had a few things to say about the classes. We should all participate in ham radio classes and should help in making presentations for other members.

Ted Harding W5WAG discussed some of the security concerns over the user group page on the web site. There are some security concerns and other problems to consider. Randy Hargrove suggested that due to the light turnout tonight that we might want to wait another month to vote on this. The concern is that members of the user group will disagree and argue too much and cause bad feelings in the club and the community not necessarily security concerns. Tommy made a motion that we accept invitations from ham radio operators or those interested may apply to the user group. Gene Grimes AD5QR seconded and the motion passed.

The Christmas Party for this year will be at the December meeting. It will be Dec 9 this year and we will be serving food and have our yearly White Elephant Auction. I will also have a voting form for Ham of the Year and Elmer of the Year so keep that in mind that we'll need to vote. We will also vote for new club officers. Some of you will be asked to consider running for office.

Christmas on the Square is on November 22nd so please be ready to pitch in so that the raffle goes well. Remember this is our big fundraiser for the year. I plan to set up the booth on the square and get things running but we'll need volunteers to pitch in and help please be available. If not plan on helping to take down the booth at 5:00

New Business

The Peanut festival.

Sales seem to be down somewhat. Attendance was also down this year. The raffle took in \$263.00. For Christmas on the Square Ted suggested that we should have had some HAM radio literature available

for the public. Van Sims N5RZQ said that we want to keep spot # 2 for the next Peanut Festival because it is a good one.

Cookbooks, we still have 2 boxes of books. We need to drop the price. Randy made a motion to drop the price of the cookbook to \$5.00 and Van seconded. The motion passed.

Randy suggested setting up the club operation fund and everybody donate a couple of dollars each week. I need to bring a donation box to the next meeting.

We still need to send a note of appreciation to Mr. Hutto for letting us set up our radio shack on their property. I sent them a card of appreciation this week.

David Lamb N5FMO wants somebody to take over Sky Warn , anybody that is interested contact one of the club officers.

At this time Cindy made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Ray. The meeting was adjourned.