RVARC GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

August 9,2024

Call to order 7:05

Recite Pledge

Moment of silence for or Silent Keys and other needs

President Wilcox (W4TKW), presented certificate of appreciation to Marty (K4EQS) and Regis (KI4PIY) in appreciation from the club for their work on Field Day. He also gave certificates to David (W4SSE) and Darrell (KI4LLA) for their work on the Hamfest.

Member Introductions present and zoom.

Minutes of last meeting are on website approved as published.

Committees

Activities: Program for the 4th week of August will be announced later

Education: Ben (KK4EWT) is in the middle of a class of 3 now.

Treasurer report presented by Doug K.(N4MGW). Motion made to approve by Ben W (KK4EWT) seconded by David N. (W4SSE). Motion carried.

Old Business

Field Day cost was \$578.84 which was well below the budget of \$1000. It was extremely hot. Marty and family stepped up with the food and Red Cross Van for feeding the crew. Score was 1920 pts.

Hamfest report by David Nance W4SSE stated the AC was on however a storm Friday killed the Chiller and it took a while to get it up.

The seminars were packed, the vendors were happy. Attendance was estimated to be about the same as last year. Income made last year was \$116 and this year was \$1008. David recognized Mike Nelson for the great work he put in on obtaining door prizes. Loading and unloading Gold Medals vendor was well done thanks to the students and others. It was recommended that Regis, Mike and Becky figure something to reward the individual students for their great work all around.

Trustee Transfer was completed to Mike Lugar

New Business

The Blue Ridge Bonanza event will be September 8 from 9 am to 5 pm. Ben Williams will be the lead/contact. You will need to contact him if you wish to participate. Go to blueridgebonanza.info for more information.

Zoom equipment inventory has increased with donations from members. Multiple cameras are in hand, and we still need to address multiple microphones around the room.

Election to be held in September. Volunteer to serve as it is your club. Regis G and Fred K. are serving as the nominating committee,

A discussion regarding the value of the Red Cross to us and us to them. Dorenda suggested that we donate \$400 of our normal \$200. Darrell told us that the equipment in the ham room is property of the Red Cross and that one of the computers needs to be replaced. Motion made and seconded to table the donation until we can put together options for the donation. Ben /Dorenda. Motion carried.

President Wilcox spoke on the need to build a structure to provide classes for General and Extra license. Several people were willing to work on getting classes going.

November 3 will be our special event for the Mill Mountain Star celebration. Ben W and Darrell will co-chair the event.

Darrell volunteered to locate a venue for our Christmas party, but he needs a firm date to work with. Club picked December 7th, motion by David Edwards. Seconded by all. Motion carried.

Adjourned 8:03