

August 2013 Meeting Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 19:34 by President with 15 in attendance. Minutes from July meeting were approved as sent.

Treasurer reported \$1040.37 in bank, report accepted by members present.

Executive report, plans are to raise dues to \$20. Repeater committee reported on plans to take repeater down after storm season to refurbish using parts from the association already has. RACES was not present, no report. ARES report by Shawn N3AE, the current EC is searching for a replacement. We will be supporting the bicycle event again this October.

Per decision by nominating committee in June the sitting officers are eligible to run, term limits will start at first full year. Amendment to By-Laws presented at meeting will be voted on during September meeting. Break at 20:00. Dean N8LWP won the 50-50 and donated his winnings, \$46 to CARA!

Meeting reconvened at 20:20

Motion and second to use QSL card as displayed at meeting. Motion and second carried to spend not in excess of \$100 for the cards. A motion to have a donation fund for the cards also passed. Shawn N3AE volunteered to send envelopes to the QSL bureau for CARA.

The Maryland QSO Party is at Mt Hope Saturday August 12 from noon to 21:00 and Sunday the 13th noon to 15:30. The ILLW Lighthouse event is at the Corbin Pavilion the weekend of August 17 & 18 with 3 stations working.

The club will research building a air tennis ball antenna launcher and report pricing for the build. Interest in doing a foxhunt but no organizer yet named.

St. Mary's County Amateur Radio Club is having a hamfest October 26.

Karl KG1L asked for other interested members to join with him in exploring the use of wireless routers and ham radio.

The association would like to get a VEC to do regular license testing locally. Another Technician class is in the plans for next year.

Cookie Monster for September is Jim K3UGA.

Bob N3PPH CARA Inc. Secretary