TIDELANDS AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY

Minutes of Meeting April 14, 2016

The meeting was called to order BY Cookie, K5EWJ, at 1900.

Those present were:

Cookie, K5EWJ (Vice-President) Joe, AA5OP (Treasurer) John, KC5LAA (Secretary) Louis, WB5BMB Wink, N5ECE Curt, WB5UZZ Joe, WA5OMB Kerry, KF5WDU Wes, KF5UKF Bo, KT1AA Michael, ACOTX David, KI4WSP Vince, KH8UDO Bill, WA5WVP John, WA5UUP Alan Walraven, N5MSE Sheryle Walraven

That's 17 attendees!

John read the minutes of the March 10, 2016 meeting. The minutes were corrected and approved as corrected.

Joe provided the treasurer's report.

Traffic:

Old Business:

Cookie said that we all need to think about what the club could do. We have lots of people with expertise who could make presentations.

Cookie also recognized two visitors from Bowie, Texas, which is a little south of Wichita Falls.

A hamfest update: additional vendors are Grapevine Amateur Supply, Main Trading, Sign Man and the food vendor.

Field Day: We need someone to take charge of the food. Cooking is OK, but if not, we have lots of vendors nearby.

Louie: W5V will be an experimental NVIS station on 40, 60 and 80 meters, using a dipole at 1/10 wavelength above ground. Participants include Texas Army MARS and DPS. The station will be in operation from 8 to 4 on 4-22 and 4-23, 2016.

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Michael, ACOTX, said he would be willing to drive people to Belton from his home in Sugarland.

Joe, WA5OMB, gave a presentation on power supplies. A lot of discussion of power supplies followed, including a long discussion of switching power supplies and RFI.

Joe, AA5OP, said J.A. Prichard/Richard Prichard, KG5MVG (from QRZ.com: William J. DeFord, Plano, TX), wants to join TARS. He has sent a check for membership.

Meeting adjourned at 2100.

The next meeting will be at the North County Building on Thursday, May 12, 2016.

s/ John, KC5LAA Recording Secretary