

South Baldwin Amateur Radio Club (KI4ELU)

PO Box 491
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September 18, 2014

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Club Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President Robert Frye (KJ4MIC) at 7 pm. The location was at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Robertsdale, AL. Present at the meeting were 17 members and 1 guest. A quorum of members was present to conduct business.

The August 2014 regular meeting minutes were read and approved without changes.

The treasurer's report was read by Charles Vasut (AF4I) and approved. The current bank balance is \$3,534.04. There is \$611.69 in the repeater fund.

There were two candidates for the 9/11 VE testing session. One candidate earned a Technician license and the other failed his Tech exam. Welcome KM4EGW. Eight Volunteer Examiners were present.

Ray Sturch, W4JOV, reported that four SBARC members attended the September Lillian ARG meeting with five of their members. All present agreed that January is when Field Day preparations should commence.

Old/Unfinished Business:

Robert Frye/KJ4MIC reported the following:

His health situation is looking positive.

Club members came to the EOC during business hours and reorganized/purged club files and stored the remainder in a new file cabinet in the EOC ham shack.

Research into available club liability insurance resulted in finding that ARRL offers a source for affiliated clubs such as ours. Details can be found at <http://www.arrl.org/affiliated-club-benefits>. Robert recommended that the club procure such insurance for an annual cost of \$200. A motion was made and seconded and members voted yes.

Dave Hottell, AB9CA, reported the Baldwin County EMA will be replacing radio equipment soon. Members approved that Dave spend \$30 of club funds to procure new crystals for the new transmitters.

The 50-50 draw was conducted.

New Business:

Tom Phipps, KA4CSG, announced that Salvation Army Team Emergency Network (SATERN) Southern Territory Coordinator Bill Feist from Jackson, MS, will give a presentation at the meeting next month. A motion was made, seconded and the members voted to pay Mr. Feist an honorarium of \$250 to offset his travel and lodging expenses. Members are asked to invite all (ham and non-ham) who may be interested in public service to hear this speaker.

Tom reported that for those interested in emergency communications for government and non-government agencies and for ARES there are basic training courses you must complete. Visit <http://www.training.fema.gov/is/> and <http://www.alabama-ares.org/> for more info.

Robert appointed Charles Vasut, Dave Hottell, and Rich Lee (W2EUS) to the club officer nominating committee to contact members and determine their willingness to serve. The committee will then offer a slate of candidates for the

October regular meeting attendees to vote on to serve next year.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm.

Submitted,
Bruce Raymond/ND8I
Secretary