

**South Baldwin Amateur Radio Club (KI4ELU)**

PO Box 491  
Robertsdale, AL 36567

March 15, 2012

**Minutes of the Regular Monthly Club Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by President David Hottell (AB9CA) at 7:06pm. The location was at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Robertsdale, AL. Present at the meeting were 19 members. A quorum of members was present to conduct business.

The February 2012 meeting minutes were read by Rich Lee (W2EUS) and approved without changes.

There was no Treasurer's report.

**Old/Unfinished Business:**

- 1- Field Day Preparations – Lou Aiken (N4SWR) reported that authorization from Orange Beach has been obtained for FD operation at Orange Beach Waterfront Park located on Canal Road, east of Orange Beach Blvd. (Hwy 161). Lou outlined the various duties that still need volunteers to commit to for the weekend of June 23<sup>rd</sup>.
- 2- Weekly Net – Dave Hottell continues to request for one or more volunteers to run an ongoing practice emergency net on the 147.090 repeater at the Baldwin County Emergency Operations Center.
- 3- Volunteer Examiner Program Report – Ralph Stemp (KJ4JCS) reported results of license test sessions which occurred on February 24 and March 9, 2012 at Dahlgren Hall, Faulkner State Community College, Fairhope. Ralph will be giving a final report at the next meeting with a motion for the program's future for the club to vote on.

**New Business:**

- 1- Club meetings 2x per month – Dave Hottell asked members to consider the idea of having one meeting to handle club business and another meeting to give adequate time to ham radio presentations.
- 2- Hamfests at Ft. Walton and Mobile are coming up within the next 4 weeks.

Presentation: David Hottell gave a presentation on how receiver noise may be masking a poor HF antenna.

The 50/50 was conducted.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30pm

Approved at the 4/19/2012 meeting.  
Richard Lee, W2EUS  
SB-ARC Secretary