

South Baldwin Amateur Radio Club (KI4ELU)

PO Box 491
Robertsdale, AL 36567

February 16, 2012

Minutes of the Regular Monthly Club Meeting

The meeting was called to order by President David Hottell (AB9CA) at 7:03pm. The location was at the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) in Robertsdale, AL. Present at the meeting were 15 members and 1 guest. A quorum of members was present to conduct business.

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

The treasurer's report was read by Charles Vasut (AF4I).

Old/Unfinished Business:

- 1- Volunteer Examiner Program Report – Ralph Stemp (KJ4JCS) reported that license test sessions continue to be scheduled for 1pm on the Fridays of February 24 and March 9, 2012 at Dahlgren Hall, Faulkner State Community College, Fairhope, AL.
- 2- Field Day Preparations – Lou Aiken (N4SWR) reported that a location has been decided on at Orange Beach Waterfront Park located on Canal Road, east of Orange Beach Blvd. (Hwy 161).
- 3- ARRL Club Affiliation – Rich Lee (W2EUS) reported documentation from the ARRL website verifying that one of the requirements is that 51% of the club's voting membership be full or associate members of ARRL. After the March regular meeting the 2012 membership roster will be finalized based on received dues and affiliation will be pursued.

Presentation: David Hottell gave a presentation on propagation prediction code provided by VOACAP (Voice of America Coverage Analysis Program) with example predictions based on Robertsdale as the station location. He also discussed the effect that antenna type and height above ground has on take off angles.

The 50/50 was conducted.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm

Approved at the 3/15/2012 meeting.

Richard Lee, W2EUS

SB-ARC Secretary