

TVARC Minutes
3-31-09 Meeting

Carl called the meeting to order at 6:50pm at CiCi's in Terrell, with 16 members and three visitors present. Two of the guests, Jacob Brown, and Eric Crone, were present to be tested for licensing. We also welcomed Howard Winnett, who had not joined us in some time.

1. Meeting Minutes may be viewed on the Club's website within a few days of the last meeting. If a discrepancy is found, members may e-mail the Secretary for any proposed change to be discussed at the following meeting.
2. Marline reported a treasury balance of \$684.71, and her report was accepted as presented.

OLD BUSINESS

3. Trustee application—Ed will investigate why it is taking so long to complete the transfer.
4. Net Control Operators (NCO)— April - Rusty; May - Ed; June - Randy
5. Aubrey Repeater Update—Carl read the response to his e-mail to Patrick Parks, owner of subject repeater, regarding antenna position changes. The problem is being addressed and, hopefully, corrections will be completed soon to eliminate interference with our 27 repeater.

NEW BUSINESS

6. Storm Warning Class—Katy, Marianne, Ted, Carl and Linda attended a recent class sponsored by the National Weather Service at the library in Rockwall. Katy reported that attendance was outstanding, with fire, police, medic and others from surrounding towns represented. Ms. Stacy Hanes, of the Ft. Worth Weather Service, conducted the class and encouraged everyone to qualify for their amateur radio licenses. At the last RARC meeting, representatives from the Coast Guard Auxiliary who patrol Lake Ray Hubbard made a presentation. They also were encouraged to get their ham licenses, according to Marianne. David suggested that we all purchase weather radios.
7. Insurance Bill—Ed brought the current bill for the Club's insurance policy through AARL. A motion was made and carried to continue coverage and to pay the \$320 bill, which was then given to Marline for payment.
8. Venue for 4-28-09—We will meet at Los Hermanos in April, but Ed agreed to check with Panda Chinese, and Marianne with IHOP in Terrell to determine availability of a private room for future use.
9. Presentation—Carl addressed the topics of ILRP, EchoLink, Digital Modes, Skype, and Vonage—showing interesting joint uses of computers, the internet and ham radio.
10. Adjournment—The meeting adjourned at 7:35pm, after which Rusty Mott (VEC) administered tests to the visitors who came primarily for that purpose. VEs Ted Scherbel and Carl Sherman stayed to assist in that process. Both Jacob Brown and Eric Crone passed their tests and were welcomed as new amateur radio operators.

Members in Attendance

Johnny Ballard	K2YKQ
Marline Ballard	N5VVM
Jimmy Brown	KE5LXY
Mel Goodwin	W5EEY
Mildred Goodwin	W5ELS
Ruth Hall	KE5NEJ
David Jones	N5UFG
Marianne Marsden	KA7CZX
Rusty Mott	WK5R
Katy O'Mary	KE5CGL
Ed Puckett	KD5ZUM
George Purnell	K5SXE
Ted Scherbel	KF5HV
Carl Sherman	W5SBH
Linda Sherman	KC5QKN
Howard Winnett	K5BNI

Visitors

Jacob Brown (Jimmy's son)
David Crone
Eric Crone (David's son)