

Athens Country Amateur Radio Association

Minutes of the meeting of
March 20, 2007

In Attendance: Earl Stump WD8DMY, Jim Crouse KC8OVB, Richard Post KB8TAD, John Thomas KC8JWZ, John Hursey N8GNV, Rodney Holley KA8NDC, John McCutcheon N8XWO, John Biddle W8PG, Garry Bruce, and Drew McDaniel W8MHV.

Corrections/additions to minutes of September meeting. Minutes from February had not been circulated. W8MHV apologized but said they had been prepare but apparently not circulated.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer, KC8OVB's monthly summary distributed and discussed. Discussion. Total unencumbered funds are \$2,818.60.

Old Business:

Repeater--W8MHV acknowledged that the time needs resetting. Sorry, but he'd forgotten.

Athens Hamfest-- Scheduled date: April 29, 2007, the last Sunday of the month of April. W8MHV reported that the club's proposal was successful and the Athens County Convention and Visitor's Bureau had awarded \$300. The club is required to send a representative to a training session in order to receive the award, and N8GNV volunteered. W8MHV will provide details. W8MHV reported that reminder cards had been printed and copies were shared. KC8OVB will work with W8KVK to label and mail them. Discussion of sorting of addresses on database. Flyers available for those attending other hamfests; contact W8MHV or KC8OVB. A duty roster for the hamfest was circulated.

License class--N8XWO reported that nine examinations were administered and there were eight successful results, including one general upgrade. All six participating in the club classes were successful in obtaining their Tech licenses.

Marathon--KC8OVB reported that a need exists for a few additional participants. Maps and instructional information was distributed. Date of marathon is April 1. Any additional volunteers should contact KC8OVB.

New Business:

An additional ham class--N8GNV described efforts in Meigs and Jackson county to mount another class for both Tech and General classes and proposed that this might be done in conjunction with ACARA for those two counties plus Athens county. Discussion of a possible class in September followed.

Program--John N8XWO "getting the most from your HT," discussion included tricks such as the use of a "tiger tail" and the use of aftermarket antennas. Jim KC8OVB described and circulated handouts discussing additional.

Meeting adjourned at 21:10 EDT.

Respectfully submitted, Drew McDaniel for Eric McFadden, Secretary.

Correction to these minutes can be sent to W8MHV at mcdanied@ohio.edu.