

Athens Country Amateur Radio Association

Minutes of the meeting of September 18, 2007

In Attendance:	John Biddle	W8PG
	John Cornwell	NC8V
	Jim Crouse	KC8OVB
	Bob Curtis	KD8FRQ
	Walt Jones	WT8E
	John McCutcheon	N8XWO
	Drew McDaniel	W8MHV
	Eric McFadden	WD8RIF
	Rich Post	KB8TAD
	Brian Shapiro	KC8ZUF
	John Thomas	KC8JWZ

Following the 7:00pm social gathering, the meeting was called to order at 7:30pm by president Drew McDaniel, W8MHV.

The minutes of the May, 2007 meeting were accepted as distributed.

The Treasurer's Report was accepted as presented by treasurer Jim Crouse, KC8OVB.

Old Business

License Class

Drew McDaniel, W8MHV, reported that with the departure of John Hursey, N8GNV, the club has lost its liaison with the Meigs and Jackson County hams who had expressed an interest in a Technician and General license class. None present have had any communications with said hams. Drew reported that the Lancaster club is starting a General license class this month.

Repeater

Eric McFadden, WD8RIF, reported that the floor of the repeater building needs attention. He explained that rain water has entered under the door and the floor near the door has rotted away. He and Drew will visit the site this week to plan repairs.

New Business

APRS & Packet

Jim Crouse, KC8OVB, reported that Ted Jacobson, W8KVK, has asked that the club purchase a new PacComm Tiny-2 MK-II TNC to replace a lightning-damaged unit. The old unit has previously been repaired and the insurance deductible for repairs is \$50. The purchase price for a new unit is \$180. Jim made a motion to purchase the new unit. The motion was seconded by

John McCutcheon, N8XWO. The motion was passed by unanimous vote.

ACARA Hamfest

Drew McDaniel asked that the club choose the date for the 2008 hamfest. He made a motion that the hamfest be held on April 27, 2008. The motion was seconded by John McCutcheon. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Nominations for Officers

Drew McDaniel asked for nominations for club officers for 2008. Rich Post, KB8TAD, nominated all the current officers to remain in their positions. No other nominations were made.

Nominees:

President	Drew McDaniel, W8MHV
Vice President	John McCutcheon, N8XWO
Treasurer	Jim Crouse, KC8OVB
Secretary	Eric McFadden, WD8RIF
Newsletter	Jim Crouse, KC8OVB
Repeater Trustee	Eric McFadden, WD8RIF
Packet Node Trustee	Jeff Slattery, N8SUZ

Programs

Eric McFadden gave a presentation on the ACARA's solar-powered Field Day 2007 effort using photos made by John Biddle, W8PG.

Drew McDaniel showed a short preview of the upcoming DVD by the American Radio Relay League, "Katrina -- The Untold Story"

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44pm by President Drew McDaniel.

Respectfully submitted, Eric McFadden, Secretary.