

Attendance

Eric McFadden, Chair	WD8RIF
Bob Curtis	KD8FRQ
Andy Young	KD8WVX
Robert Moore	KC8KSM
John Biddle	W8PG

Program

Eric McFadden, WD8RIF gave a presentation on the *National Parks on the Air* year-long operating event sponsored by the ARRL in commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the founding of the U.S. National Parks Service. Eric promised to send around a summary of his remarks.

Corrections/additions of Minutes

There were no corrections to the minutes of 1/19/16. John Biddle moved to accept them. Robert Moore seconded the motion. It passed.

Treasurer's Report

Jim Crouse, KC8OVB, was ill, so there was no Report.

Old Business

VHF and UHF repeaters

Eric McFadden, WD8RIF, announced that The VHF repeater is behaving well. The UHF repeater is still inoperable.

Club Construction / Education Spring Project

Drew McDaniel, W8MHV, will be leading the club in a group-build of a two-band trap-dipole antenna. The Chair announced that the date set is May 7.

License Class – Started Jan 11. Held Mondays at the Red Cross Chapterhouse.

The Chair announced that three students have attended; they all seem eager. Currently, the teachers are Jeff Slattery, N8SUZ, Bob Curtis, KD8FRQ, Drew McDaniel, W8MHV, and Eric McFadden, WD8RIF. The VE test session will be on March 14.

The Athens Marathon – Sunday, April 10, 2016

Eric, WD8RIF – attended the first Marathon Planning Meeting on Feb. 4. What's new is: there will be one person dealing with SAG issues.

Athens Hamfest – Sunday, April 24

Eric, WD8RIF has applied for the Athens County Convention and Visitors Bureau 2016 Tourism Grant. There is no news on the result.

ARRL Field Day – June 25-26, 2016

The Chair announced that the “FD2016 packet” is available for download. There are two new bonus categories: Social Media (100pts) and Safety Officer (100pts). We can use the big brick building at the Fairgrounds this year.

February Potluck – Saturday, February 20 at The Red Cross Chapterhouse

Eric, WD8RIF will bring two Twilight Zone episodes on DVD, and John McCutcheon, N8XWO will bring the 1941 short “The Reluctant Dragon” on 16mm film. Attendees at the potluck should bring a dish to share, their own drinks, and tableware.

Alden Library QST subscription.

The Chair announced that Drew McDaniel, W8MHV, has contacted his school's (Media Arts and Studies), bibliographer about renewing this

Iron Furnace Run – April 2

There is no news on this event.

New Business

Thunderbunny 50K – Saturday, May 14, 2016

The Chair raised the question: will the club be able to support this? The issue remains on the table.

Adjournment

John Biddle, W8PG, moved for adjournment. Robert Moore, KC8KSM seconded. The meeting ended at 8:40 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Bob Curtis, KD8FRQ.