

A meeting of Twin State Radio Club was held at Mickey's Cafe on Saturday, February 8, 2020. The meeting opened at 9:21 AM. A quorum of at least 20% was present with 13/29 voting members present.

Officers present: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Trustee

President's Report: Dan MacMartin, AD1HD

- Introductions
- President is resigning after this term - want this job? Think about it!

VP Report: David McGaw, N1HAC

- Today's presentation: Winter safety - Ray WA1ORT
- Next presentation: TBD
- Plenty of ideas - off center fed dipoles, propagation, communications on the Apollo Communication, Joe Taylor, WHISPR, Antenna forum (April), trailer radio training session, digital mode seminar, Amateur television seminar (May)

Treasurer Report: Dave Colter WA1ZCN

As of January 10th:

- Checking – \$3,207.22
- Savings - \$25,370.85
- CD (Now Money Market Account) - \$15,455.38

Motion made to accept report by Ray WA1ORT, seconded by Bill AA1DE. Motion Passes.

Secretary Report: Nicole DeShone AC1HQ

- Minutes ready for January 2020
- Motion to accept by Ray WA1ORT, seconded by Gordon AB4SK. Motion Passes.

Trailer report: Allen Bradford AE1H, Ed AB1XQ, Dave WA1ZCN

- We took them to CVFMA and used them for Winter Field Day.

Repeater committee: David McGaw N1HAC, Dave Colter WA1ZCN

- Strafford on 147.345. Tone is 100 Hz.

- 440 radio is currently down. The PA finals are fried. Exciter is working, but no power is coming out. The receiver is having issues as well.
- Purchased a new duplexer for use in Strafford
- We still have kerchunking going on, with background noise and music. They are mobile, and coming in all over the place. Starting discussion about what it would take to fox hunt.
- Talk about getting direction finders.

Bylaws Committee: Dave Colter WA1ZCN

- One final change - Requirement change on how much of the investment must be FDIC insured, from \$15,000 to \$5,000, to balance security with flexibility

Education committee: Ray WA1ORT

- VE Session today!
- We've got 3 new VEs out of it.
- Proposed regular test sessions - 2, 5, 8, 11th months.
- Tech - only about 1/3 of the questions were changed. The slides will be easy to update.

Events in the works:

Inventory, Sled Dog Race - on, Class on M1MM, NEARFEST, JOTA - start now

Old, new, and ongoing business:

Winter Field Day (January 25/26):

- Simple, and fun
- The bands weren't dead
- It wasn't terribly cold

Class on trailer radios and software: - TBD

- Proposed training session on radio software
- Proposed training on the trailer radios
- Proposed training on digital modes

Grantham, Croyden Sled Dog Race (February 16):

- February 16th, 10 people needed ideally. 5 signed up now, several maybes.
- Dress appropriately, no T-shirts. Be prepared for 4-6 hours outside
- Need two people to go out into the woods
- No need for the portable repeater - Moose works perfectly

Inventory:

- Managing system is in place.
- Working with Steve W1HS to get the inventory software set
- Unheated building, proposing - Late March/ Early April

CVFMA Swap meet:

- We were there and took the trailer.
- Good publicity for the club

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 AM

73,

Nicole DeShone AC1HQ