

Bishop Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors and Officers

Meeting Minutes April 13, 2011

Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM by President Adrian van der Riet (N6VDR)

Board Members attending: Present (Bob Moss W7WOW, Everett Story KD6IXK Kurt Pauer W6PH).

Officers attending: President Adrian van der Riet N6VDR, Vice President Mike Fitzsimmons W6DHF, Treasurer Bob Payne N7RAP, Secretary John Shepherd AD6NR

Present but not attending: Rich Rynne KF6YLW and Ed Fitzsimmons KJ6KAU

Bob Payne reported that the club EIN number is in the system, but the IRS told him to wait until May 1st to fill out the form. They are in the process of farming out this work and I will not be able to fill out the 990N form until May 1st. He still needs to file the state information form by May 15 (there is a \$20 filing fee).

Everett read and the board and officers reviewed Articles II and V of the corporation concerning the charter, purpose and management of the corporation. Adrian emphasized and it was agreed that the Board should be active in setting policy for the club. A general discussion followed concerning how to help implement the purposes of the club in the future.

Club Membership: It was decided that the newsletter will be sent to all club member and any other interested parties for which we have a current e-mail address. We will encourage people to join the club and participate in club activities. It was generally felt that increasing the type and number of club activities would be the best way to expand our membership.

Adrian asked each board member and officer to comment if they were happy with the present direction of the club and what suggestions they might have to further meet the charter of the club.

Everett: encourage club events that provide an opportunity for training – with an emphasis on “on the air” activities.

Bob Moss : have a speaker at each meeting to further the education aspect of the charter (e.g. the presentation and demonstration on T-Hunting tools and methods)

Kurt: agree - have relevant presentations at meetings, encourage participation in Field Day, and diversity our activities (e.g. HF nets and contests). Ed Fitzsimmons responded to an inquiry by Kurt that he (Ed) would like to see more HF related activities, more technical discussions and interactions. Kurt would also like to see more formal structure to the clubs activities.

Bob Payne: need to have more articles (and content) for the newsletters.

John: agreed with comments and recommended a yearly meeting in November of the board and officers to review and document the previous year's accomplishments (referenced against the purpose and charter of the corporation).

Adrian summarized: the club should increase relevant training, increase and diversify club activities, attempt to increase membership and encourage participation. We need to identify someone willing to take the lead in publicizing the club and its activities.

Adrian commented we are not presently addressing the EMCOMM provision in the charter. After some discussion it was suggested we start an "emergency power" check-in after the regular 2000 BARC net on the 34/94 repeater (item for discussion at the club meeting following).

Board of Directors and Officers meeting concluded at 6:58 PM.

John Shepherd AD6NR, Secretary.