

Minutes of the Sevier Amateur Radio Club meeting held on Wednesday January 16, 2019.

Meeting schedule

It was proposed that the bylaws be changed to reflect a change in the club meeting schedule. Currently club meeting are to be held on the first Wednesday of every odd numbered month. This schedule presents conflicts with other amateur radio nets. It was proposed that the meeting schedule be changed to the first Thursday after the first Wednesday of every odd numbered month. This proposed change to the bylaws was voted on, and approved by the club members in attendance.

It was proposed that the weekly net be changed to better involve new hams, the exact procedures are still under consideration.

Budget

We have about \$2000.00 in the club account. It was proposed that we allot \$100.00 for the annual field day, and \$100.00 for a club social, these items were approved by a vote of the club members in attendance.

It was proposed by Dell that we should look into acquiring a mobile repeater in case of an emergency, or if the .64 repeater is in operable. A mobile repeater would cost about \$1500.00. This proposal is under consideration for cost and feasibility.

Field day

The field day will be held on the last weekend of June. It was suggested that we hold our field day with one of the other amateur radio clubs. Some members felt we should hold it on our own. The details as to whether we should hold the field day by ourselves or with others, as well as the location are still under consideration.

Club website

The club website is currently being hosted by an individual in Marysville for free. There is some concern that there may become a problem in the future with this arrangement. Various options were discussed regarding the website. Scott Brady knows of a source that will host our website for \$12.00 a month. Scott is looking into possibilities for hosting our website.

Other

It was mentioned that the .64 repeater is losing strength and we should see about getting it repaired if necessary. Jeff Neilsen said it belongs to Sevier County and they will take care of it.

Dell mentioned that he would like to see the club get more involved in health, safety and public service. He also said the club emergency procedures is out of date and needs to be updated. Del would also like to setup training programs to help train club members with the technical aspects of amateur radio.

It was mentioned that we should look into using DTMF codes, Jeff is looking into this.