

N7RRB, Shawn called the February Business meeting of the CARC to order at 1902, 5 March 2014

Roll Call:

Shawn - N7RRB
Gary - AE7LS
Mike - AE7EC
Bruce - KF7CFY
Ben - KF7LFN
Tate - KA7O
Heather - KE7AZH
Mike - KE7WQP
Charles - N7RQW
Lance - KF0HC
Ken - K7PLA
Dwight - AE7YA
(Late Arrival) Tom - W6TMP

Last month's minutes read and accepted as amended.

Shawn called for new business:

- A: Ken offered an update on the 6m repeater/tower site.
- 1 - No change due to conditions at the site. Waiting for snow to clear so an electrician can access the site.
- B: Tate offered an update on the APRS server.
- 1 - He mentioned frequent attacks and intermittent down times. Watchdogs should bring the server back if it goes down. Service outages shouldn't last any longer than 5 minutes.
 - 2 - Tate also mentioned having to reboot the IRLP node and asked for folks to please notify him if they notice the node is down.
- C: Discussion on the problems with the .280 (autopatch) repeater.
- 1 - Noise source located and corrected as well as grounding the microphone to enable PL on the receiver.
 - 2 - Shawn mentioned that the requirement for 1 second of input RF before the repeater will open has also been removed.
 - 3 - Tate will reset the receiver sensitivity from 'local' to 'distant' on the receiver. This should increase it's effective coverage.
- D: Shawn announced updates and information from last night's board meeting
- 1 - Go ahead with the investments as discussed. ie. Recent \$5,000 payment for the old Stuckenhoff site should go into which ever fund is best performing. Bruce will facilitate this.
 - 2 - Shawn will explore details on purchasing the ARRL liability insurance plan at \$200 (base) or \$300 a year (to include vehicle coverage). This will provide \$2Million of coverage. There were no concerns or dissents expressed.
- (Tom - W6TMP arrives)
- Tom moved to Casper last July and was welcomed to the meeting.
- 3 - Ken was appointed (and he accepted) the position as Club PIO. Shawn asked him to keep club activities current on the several community calendars available.
- E: Mike - KE7WQP asked if we're going to do the Marathon this year. Tate reported he'd already attempted contact with the organizers and hasn't heard anything back, yet.
- F: Mike - AE7EC mentioned the 4-H "Amateur Radio Competency Program". Suggested that might be an avenue for the club to offer support.
- G: Shawn again called for any new business. None offered.

Tate moved to close the meeting - seconded and accepted - closed at 1918