

Hampden County Radio Association
Board of Directors meeting minutes
Thursday August 13, 2009

Attendees : Irv Slitzky, George Collins, Ed LaCombe, Michael Lavery, Jim Mullen, John Pise, Larry Krainson

Jim called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m.

Officer Reports

1. Vice President - John
 - (a) Field day recap – Everything went well. Poll regarding food results - most said if food wasn't there it wouldn't matter. George commented if VHF/UHF were done again he would recommend using an AB-577 instead of the Rhon tilt-base because of safety concerns.
 - (b) Tech classes – John will email Larry & Jim, KK1W with details.
2. Treasurer - George Collins
 - (a) Balance - \$2273
3. Secretary – Michael Lavery
 - (a) Motion was made to accept June's meeting minutes – motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
4. Technical – Dave (not present)
5. Zero Beat Editor – Larry
 - (a) Submit articles to Larry by the 25th.
6. Membership – Ed LaCombe
 - (a) 222 QSO's at the Catfish Derby 2009
 - (b) Name Badges were discussed and Ed will fulfill all future badge orders.
7. At Large – Irv
 - (a) Expressed concern the membership numbers are on a downward trend.
8. Program – Jim (not present)
 - (a) Dan Henderson for speaker September
 - (b) Mike Raisbeck for October
 - (c) Rob Macedo – January?

New Business

Bylaws discussion – Irv & George will review and prepare the Bylaw changes for the January meeting. Message will go out to membership to notify them a vote will be forthcoming.

Raffles discussion – Ed read the raffle inventory. A \$50 monthly prize approximation was determined to be the best amount. This could be a combination of one or more prizes.

To control costs Zero Beat will be condensed to one sheet (2 pages) for the U.S. Postal mail version. The electronic version via the web will still be a full entire monthly newsletter. For September there will be two sheets (4 pages) of which one will be the renewal application.

The October Sign-up raffle incentive will be an HCRA logo jacket and a hat.

Respectfully submitted on this date – August 27th, 2009 – Michael S. Lavery