

February 2017

PHARC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The February 8, 2017, PHARC Executive Committee Meeting was called to order by Roger Daisley (W7ALA) at 1842 hours. The meeting was held at the Arby's restaurant in Pullman. In attendance were: Roger Daisley (W7ALA), President; Elizabeth Simon (KK7VO), Vice President; Eric Bechtel (AE7UF), Treasurer; Randall Ramsey (KI7BSW), Secretary; and Tom Storer (KI6DER), Amateur Radio Test Master.

Meeting Reports

Eric had announced that Banner Bank had received all requisite club member signatures, and that he was able to receive past bank statements. After reviewing the account, he could not account for \$7.40 of the approximately \$4000.00 balance. [Email later that night stated that \$4088.00 was in the account.] Given to Eric, from Ramsey, was the address to where the \$500 seed money check was to be sent, for raffle prizes to be given out at the Spokane Ham Fest.

Presentations

In light of Bill Ward's (K9GRZ) announcement about an Latah Auxillary Communications group, or Aux Comm, at the January 25, 2017 monthly club meeting, it was agreed that the original guest presentation for the February monthly meeting to be pushed back to March, giving Bill the early opportunity to present his project. Ed from Pullman Building Supply will now be scheduled to present at the March monthly meeting about generators.

A future presentation by Eric about Handy Hams was also discussed. He fancied the idea of bringing in a guest speaker on the topic.

Field Day

The formation of a Field Day Committee was discussed be formed to provide advance planning. Ramsey agreed to be part of the committee. Tom will not be on the committee this year because of other commitments, but he would be approachable for planning advice. Some of the other members who had been part of prior years' Field Day planning committees spoke about burnout. This year, PHARC is looking to have some of the newer members become part of that team. Also, contact with other clubs to join in for a collaborative effort was discussed. Ramsey was to contact other clubs about joining this effort.

As part of Field Day planning, topics of radios, antenna placement, site selection (Latah County Fairgrounds or Camp Grizzly or Lincoln Middle School), acquiring a trailer (possibly Latah County ARES trailer) for use, were all discussed

New Hams on the Air

Roger is keeping alive the project idea of new hams on the air (NHOTA). Trying to facilitate this may require a little lead-up time to get this project off the ground. This could be a regular activity at monthly club meetings after the business meeting portion and the featured presentation have been conducted. A trial run at the May meeting may be in order. Other possible venues for new hams on the air would be at Field Day.

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Community Activities

Other activities mentioned included JOTA (Jamboree-On-The-Air) for the Boy Scouts of America on the 3rd weekend in October. Successful completion of this event allows the participating Scout to earn his Radio Merrit Badge.

Other Items

As with every topic of discussion, each project, or activity, has included the notion of club roster expansion and new member recruitment.

Ramsey and Tom discussed updating the Excel membership list to better track dues and payments.

The meeting adjourned at 1923 hours.

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Ramsey KI7BSW