

**October 2017**

**Palouse Hills ARC Meeting Minutes**

Meeting Minutes for 10/25/2017

The Palouse Hills Amateur Radio Club monthly meeting was Called to Order by Vice President Elizabeth Simon (KK7VO) on October 25, 2017, at 1903 hours, at the Northwest Radio Supply facility in Moscow.

**Officiating the meeting:**

Elizabeth Simon (KK7VO) Vice President, Acting President

Eric Bechtel (AE7UF), Treasurer

Randall Ramsey (KI7BSW), Secretary

**General membership attending:**

Rich Huggins (KD7VRL)

Geoff Billin (KC7QCS)

Evan Hart (KG7WPM)

Tom Storer (KI6DER)

Bill Ward (K9GRZ)

Austin Cole (KF7SIW)

Heather Cole (KG7BUB)

Brett Copperi (KG7WVX)

Cliff Clark (AG7CC)

**Club Business:**

Account balance is \$4654.49.

Rich Huggins (KD7VRL), the Chair of the Nominating Committee for Club Officers had no new prospects interested in serving office nor to fill vacant positions.

Meeting being held at Northwest Radio Supply Conference room r/t American Legion Cabin being used for Historic Society event. Thanks to Austin (KF7SIW) and Heather Cole (KG7BUB) for allowing the club to meet at their facility, again. The cabin should be available for the November 2017 meeting. Contact with Rod Headrick will be made for future cabin scheduling.

Other suggestions for meeting venues in Moscow or Pullman were requested.

**Old Business:**

Christmas Party was agreed to be held on December 08, 2017, starting at 1830 hours.

**Community activities:**

Bill Ward (K9GRZ) went over the September 30 ARES Mass Casualty Exercise at the Moscow-Pullman Airport. Sixteen hams participated in the drill. Comments like "more use of operators" was made. Good communications thru the repeater was experienced except near the runway where simplex was used. The overall event was useful in that it demonstrated to medial personnel the usefulness of ham radio operators during an actual crisis; however, because the full capabilities of hams weren't tapped revealed the lack of comfortability medical personnel have in using this resource. HIPPA concerns are still present.

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Bill (K9GRZ) also brought to light other opportunities for hams to participate in community events, such as, providing emergency communications at the Kibbie Dome on the U of I during sporting events. Some legalities in using ham radio for such events were mentioned.

Bill (K9GRZ) mentioned a newby training opportunity that took place on October 14, at Spring Valley Reservoir. The objective was to get the new operator comfortable with talking over the airwaves, use of the phonetic alphabet, numbers and basic radio protocol. More training opportunities will be forthcoming.

Bill (K9GRZ) and Austin (KF7SIW) mentioned a training event to occur at the U of I Arboretum on November 11. The course is to get hams more acquainted with their radios and with protocols in reporting during net operations.

Featured Presentation:

No monthly presentation scheduled for this month.

Next PHARC Meeting to occur on November 15, 2017, at the American Legion Cabin. See you all there.

Meeting adjourned at 1948 hours.

73,

Ramsey (KI7BSW)