

**Minutes from PAARC board meeting on 22 January 2009
at Jim's (K3CHJ) house.**

Members/officers present at meeting:

KI3I, K3DBD, N3GBY, W3TPN, WA3WLH, K3RMM and K3CHJ.

- ***Reading of the minutes from October 2008 board meeting.***

Minutes were approved as documented.

- ***Treasurers report:***

47 members. Check book balance \$2008.34

- ***Technical committee report Bob (DBD):***

APRS:

No reported problems.

G6 antenna repaired by DBD. Mount on tower as soon as possible. KI3I has mount, just need some heavy duty SS hose clamps (Mount provided by AG3T). Coax in shed.

Second receiver for mobile stations, Rick to look into it.

147.21 (2 meters):

Working but there is still a noise on windy days. Source of noise is unknown but believed to be antenna connection to fed line. Tower will need to be climbed again. Will need a work party including tower climbers, need help from general membership.

224.020 (1.25 meters):

Amp has failed and repeater remains on low power.

443.550 (70 cm):

We need to get a UHF amp setup and running. Repeater is on low power. Bill (RMM) researching a new RF amplifier.

Battery back-up power system:

There is a new battery monitor and it has an LCD display.

Note:

Shack is painted and steps to shack are repaired thanks to Ken TPN.

- **Social committee (meeting programs) Jim CHJ & Ed BVQ:**

April meeting, DXpedition.

Possibilities:

Switching power supplies designs compared to linear supplies.

Download meeting presentations from ARRL.

How to renew Ham License on line. (KI3I).

How to install coax connectors on feed lines

- **Old business:**

Language problems on repeater.

Log and report to AL.

Al to send letter of warning/expulsion to noted offenders.

Anti climb device for tower, maybe a dog pen. 6x8x4 high. \$220.00. Ask Bill Bosler what he thinks and CHJ to report to landowner. CHJ.

IRLP usage problems seem to have dropped off. Will continue to monitor system usage and if required we will make rules to control excessive time usage.

For WEB page, list of SK's. DBD making list.

New climb harness. Wayne has a belt/harness, we should acquire it.

- **New Business:**

Rick: Weather station at rpt site Rick will look into it

System will need to be interfaced with APRS system.

Tell people about the PAARC.net system. DBD

Neal to make membership cards and distribute them at meetings for paid members.

Bob (K3DBD) to make and distribute a "PAARC Members" list.

Next meeting at the Lucas' April 16th at 7:00 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.