

Anoka County Radio Club Board Meeting

April 18, 2006

Board Members Present:

Chrissy Neu KCØOKE
Dave Runkle KCØKEP

Pete Alcock KBØKHZ
Shawn Rung KØSMR

Tim Neu KCØLQL
Dan Peitso NØPIY

Guests present:

Ross DeMeyere WØFTX

Called to order by the President at 7:15 pm.



Treasurer's Report:

The balance as of April 18, 2006 was \$2240.34. Discussion on an overage in the VE amounts received. **A motion was made to move the extra \$7.00 to the repeater fund. This motion was unanimously approved.** The Treasurer's Report was accepted and approved as amended.

Secretary's Report:

Accepted and Approved.

Membership Committee:

60 Members as of the last meeting.

VE Report:

Total Candidates: 8

Element 1 (Code):	1 Candidates, 1 Granted
Element 2 (Tech):	7 Candidates, 5 Granted

Repeater Status:

2 Meter Repeater (146.670):

The repeater is up and running. The Fridley receive site is up and running with a 114.8 tone. The packet-like interference problem is still present, but masked by the PL tone. No one seems to be noticing the interference, however. The Blaine receive site has been turned off due to voting issues. The Centerville receive site is almost ready. Dave Runkle purchased and donated to the club a couple 19" racks for the receive sites. *Thank you, Dave!*

There was a discussion about implementing an output tone on our repeater. It used to be enabled, but due to complaints from some IC-706 users, it was turned off as a courtesy. These users were not ACRC members. Some of the board members indicated that there would be a benefit in re-enabling output tone again. The main reason was to eliminate intermod and other noise in areas that their radios are commonly susceptible to it (downtown, high-rf areas, etc). **A motion was made to turn on the output tone of 114.8 for a test period of six months and see if there are any complaints from ACRC members. We will readdress this issue if we receive complaints. This motion was unanimously approved.**

220 Repeater (224.940):

Up and running with no known issues.

Website / Web Updates:

Dave Runkle set up a page for Fox Hunting.

Event Reports:

The Monticello Drill will be held on May 23, 2006. There will be a walk thru of the Rogers facility.
The Airport drill will be held on May 23, 2006 from 9 am to 1 pm.

My City:

Blaine: Nothing new.

Centerville: Nothing new.

Fridley: Nothing new.

Old Business:

Anoka County ARES: Dave Runkle had a meeting on April 12 at Anoka County. He was asked to help setup an emergency management plan, including ARES, from the ground up. This was a fruitful first step for Anoka County ARES.

Kit Builders: We had 3 participants. They had some fun building amplifiers.

Field Day: Still looking for a coordinator. Anoka County ARES and the Minneapolis Radio Club will join us in the ACRC Field Day event.

Gopher Amateur Radio Club: The signed Gopher Amateur Radio Club Mutual Aid agreement was received and will be stored in our file cabinet.

New Business:

Minneapolis Radio Club: Ross DeMeyere requested that we commit to a Mutual Aid Agreement between ACRC and the Minneapolis Radio Club. **A motion was made to accept the Minneapolis Radio Club Mutual Aid Agreement as written. This motion was unanimously approved.**

Minnesota Repeater Council Meeting: This meeting will be held on Saturday, April 29, 2006 in Mankato. It starts at 1 pm. Dave Runkle will be attending to "defend our repeater status". Tim and Chrissy Neu also indicated that they will attend with Dave.

Keys: We need the key for the file cabinet from Paul Bushhouse. Shawn Rung should receive this key.

IS100 / IS200 Study Sessions: Dave Runkle will be putting together Study Sessions for these two FEMA classes. No dates or locations have been set as of yet.

Idea and discussion of Club "welcome letters / emails" to new members.

Dave Runkle proposed a "Last-Wednesday-of-the-month ARES Net", where Anoka County ARES could use the ACRC Repeater to conduct a net. **The board members agreed to this.**

The new badge design has been completed.

Next Meeting will be held at the Circle Pines McDonalds.

Adjourned at 8:22 pm. 