





Richmond County Amateur Radio Club

April 9, 2016 Meeting Minutes:

The President, Mark Dawkins KJ4IKQ, called the meeting to order. There were 13 members in attendance. The Secretary read the minutes of the March 12, 2016 meeting. There were no corrections to the March minutes.

Prior to the meeting members of the club ate at the Robedell Baptist Church pancake breakfast wearing club apparel to publicize the club. Attending were Butch Paris, Mike Poplin, Fred Lathan, Ted Lathan, Mark Dawkins, and James Bullard. Butch reported that the people running the breakfast were appreciative and thanked them for coming by and supporting their church. Thanks to Mike Poplin again for notifying the club about the breakfast.

Ben Setzer, WA4BCS, updated his contacts with Gary Green concerning Train Day May 14th and reported that the club will have space for that day. Ben has also received a application for the 2016 Seaboard Festival and there was a \$55 fee. The club voted to approved the fee and have Ben submit the application. After the meeting a club check was given to Ben for the fee.

Allan, W4EAB, reported that the club mailbox, 1963, had been renewed 4/30/16 for another year at a cost of \$86. Bank balance is \$1417.38.

The email list has been updated and send to all members. Any future changes will be emailed to the entire list so that all members can have a updated list. When asked, Allan reported that 49 postcards had been mailed to hams within Richmond County. None had been returned and no response had been received from any of the recipients. He also stated that dues are due this month.

The May 14th club meeting has been changed to May 7th since Train Day is on the 14th. Also, June 4th, 9:30a.m. at the library is the next W4VEC testing date.

Dave Arner reported that he had joined ARRL which brings the total to 7 and there are now 16 dues paying members. Fred Lathan noted after the meeting that he was probably going to join ARRL also. This would give us the minimum 50% participation in order to get affiliated on the ARRL website.

Member were also invited to attend the Woodland Acres DX Association (WADA) every Friday at 2:30 at Butch Parris' shack to discuss all things radio.

Mark Gibson also reported that there was continued use of the club website posting on Facebook.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

After the meeting \$60.00 was deposited in BB&T. Net balance is \$1422.38 after the Seaboard Festival check clears.

Allan Brown / W4EAB Secretary / Treasurer