Board meeting April 15, 2014

Members Present were:

Officers: Rich Kennedy, Randy Wildman, Bob Foxworth, Bill Johnson

Board members: Fred Delaney, Tom Evans, Geof Schuck, Bob Siegel, Mathew Stevens, and Dave Zdanowicz

Guest: Don Jeerings

The meeting started promptly at 6:30 PM.

- Rich announced that LARC is currently part of a Yaesu trade trial of their DR1 repeater. Unlike Icom, Yaesu is putting repeaters in place before they start selling radios that can take advantage of them. The repeater we are testing works simultaneously in both analogue and digital modes. Rich will ask our repeater coordinator, Richard Sharp, to make a presentation to the board to clear up several questions its members have about the new system.
- Bill suggested that we ask Richard Sharp to also deliver a presentation on Digipeaters at a future general meeting.
- Rich contacted Judson, VP of the Lake Wales Amateur Radio Club, regarding a joint tailgate event. He was enthusiastic about participating, once we get things organized. Rich will continue to pursue possible venues.
- □ There were several sign ups for this year's March For Babies. Bill will send out a last minute notice, and update the blog with location and times.
- There was a brief discussion on the subject of VISTE. Donations are welcome anytime of the year, and in addition to canned goods, it was suggested that they might also accept cash, which they could use to purchase their own canned goods. Bill suggested a fifty-fifty for VISTE in addition to food.
- □ As was the case last year, there will be a drawing at this year's Field Day. The board voted to offer \$400 dollars of books, some of which will be donated, with the balance coming from the club treasury.
- □ Bill reviewed the list of members who have not paid. Membership is about the same as last year, but he noted that over 20 members did not renew.
- □ Bob made the Treasurer's report. It was accepted as read.

Respectfully submitted.

Bill Johnson, KI4ZMV