Lakeland Amateur Radio Club Board meeting August 8, 2016

Members Present were:

Officers: Rich Kennedy, Matthew Stevens, Bill Johnson, Patrick O'Neal

Board members: Stephanie Hildreth, David Zdanowicz, Al Sheppard, Jim Stewart, and Bob Siegel

Members absent: Jeff Schuck, Kevin Rought, Ernie Hanes, and Mike Oliver

- There was a lengthy discussion relating to turning on the full digital capability of our repeater. The impact on non-digital users will be minimum. If analog only users wish, they can turn on tone squelch for the receive side of their radios. This will remove the audio generated by the digital radios.
- ☐ There was discussion around the future capability of remotely adding Wires-X and Echolink to our repeater. A lot depends on the general interest of club members.
- □ Note was made of the many new acronyms associated with digital radio that are unfamiliar to many of the club members. Some education in the future will be required to bring members up to speed.
- There was discussion about some members not receiving Yahoo Mail. This has been a chronic problem for some.
- □ Matthew described his attempts along with others to set up a 10 meter net. So far this has produced limited success, due to propagation issues. It this continues to be of interest, a regularly scheduled event will be published on the club calendar. In the mean time, these events will be announced via Yahoo mail
- Patrick gave his treasurer's report. It was approved as read. He mentioned that last year around this time we gave the Church in the Meadows a donation for the use of its facilities. The motion to donate \$400 dollars again to the Church in the Meadow was made. It was seconded, and approved. Patrick also mentioned that proceeds from the last hamfest were much lower than before. Rich pointed out that there was a lot of equipment that was not offered. After some discussion Rich offered to make this list available to all club members throughout the year, and not just at hamfests. Bill offered to publish this list.
- Bill mentioned that the club meeting location will move, with the Church in the Meadow's to a new location 220 West Beacon around November.
- □ Bob Siegel, who has served on the board for many years, has opted to take leave for a while. Few people have served as long as Bob, or worked as hard

- for the club. Although Bob will leave the board, he will remain active in the club.
- Al announced that the ballot for next year's election was ready. He also mentioned that he was completing a questionnaire to be given to club members next meeting. The purpose of the questionnaire is to determine club interest, which in turn will drive future program content.

Respectfully submitted,

Bill Johnson Secretary



Finance Report June 30th to July 29th, 2016

Cash in Checking Account per Bank Statement June 30st, 2016 \$4,910.22

Add: Receipts

Account Title	Amount	
Membership: Renewals	\$ 13	2.50
Donations (YourCause, Etc.)	6	7.00

Total Receipts \$ 79.50

Total Beginning Bank Statement Balance and Receipts during Period

\$4,989.72

Less: Expenditures

Field Day: Gifts \$ 217.06

> **Total Expenditures** \$ 217.06

Cash in Checking Account per Bank Statement July 29th, 2016 \$4,772.66

> Treasurer Lakeland Amateur Radio Club