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Minutes of the July 7th 2021 KCRC Meeting

Our July "Pre-Meeting Question and Answer Session" was tabled for Zoom based small talk.

The monthly meeting was called to order at 8:12 PM, by our President, Selvin KB2WON. Also present at tonight's meeting were Treasurer Frank KD2QPU, Secretary Roy AC2GS, Executive-At-Large Board Members Berlotte KD2MYF, and Jay KD2LRX, Joseph AC2AE, Howard N2GOT, Bob KD2NVB, Laura KB2VDV, Max KD2VEA, William AC2ZV, and Victor.

The vote to accept the minutes of the June meeting were passed unanimously.

Treasurer Report—Frank KD2QPU reported that our Treasury currently has \$1,847.84 in our bank account as well as \$350.31 in our PayPal account for a total of \$2,198.15 in assets, some Field Day expenses have not yet been factored into this yet.

Repeater status was discussed by Joseph AC2AE - The voice announcements still need to be optimized for the controller's speech synthesis circuits—this is planned for the next routine maintenance visit to the repeater site. Adding additional links to our Wires-X room continues. Work on additional Repeater gateways continue.

2 Meter Net Report—Selvin KB2WON reported consistent activity on the Net. of approximately 10-12 check-ins, weekly, and requests that more members attend this Net.

10 Meter Report—Roy AC2GS reported that the 10 Meter Net is doing well, recently Sun Spot Cycle #25 has improved propagation conditions and we have received check-ins from the Midwest!

KCRC TechNet—Roy AC2GS reported that the TechNet is alive and well, but relies on participation from the audience! We can still use more Net participants, so please try to join us on the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month!

Fusion Net Report—Joseph AC2AE reported that the FusionNet is doing well, but asked for members to participate in this Net. Activity has dropped a little, probably due to it being Summer, and should return to normal soon. Non-local NCOs have been given the opportunity to run the Net after the first hours, and this is working out well.

Old Business: There is no new information, regarding our VE Sessions. For the time being we are referring interested parties to the Columbia University VE testing site. We continue to investigate alternative options for our own VE Sessions. Selvin KB2WON advised us that a Public School IS 35 might be amenable for our VE Sessions as well as our monthly General Meetings, when we are able to meet once again.

We have 67 members on our Roster. We have not had any new members during this past month.

We are still selling Club patches at \$5 a piece and \$1 shipping and handling. You can save the shipping and handling fee by buying them at our monthly meetings (when they are re-established).

Field Day 2021 was discussed. It was a qualified success, with some drop in participation, no doubt due to Covid-19. Bob KD2NVB's exceptional labors warranted a Certificate of Merit from the Club. Bob KD2NVB, Frank KD2QPU, and Selvin KB2WON manned the station overnight. We accrued 244 points. We will need a replacement main tent for our next Field Day.

Victor was recommended for the empty position of Club Vice President. Due to the Club By-Laws he will not be eligible until August 8, 2021. Victor will decide over the next month and tell us his decision during the next General Meeting.

New Business: A Certificate of Merit was voted on for Bob KD2NVB for all his work during Field Day 2021.

We should begin planning for our annual Fall Club Picnic, in Manhattan Beach. We will finalize our plans during our next General Meeting.

Final plans to transition back to a physical meeting place, at IS 35 were discussed. When Selvin KB2WON receives final approval from the facility, we will begin publicizing the new venue via email and our website.

The meeting was closed 9:43 PM, and was followed by an informal general discussion

Stay Safe Everyone!

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These minutes were respectfully recorded and submitted by Roy AC2GS on this day, July 7th, in the two thousandth and twenty-first year of our Lord of Propagation.