The Enid Amateur Radio Club (EARC)
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 2017 MEETING
February 16, 2017 (ARCLight-20170216.pdf)
Salvation Army Chapel, Fellowship Hall, Enid, OK

NOTE: THIS IS A PROPOSED DRAFT PENDING ADOPTION BY MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE CLUB.

The Enid Amateur Radio Club and guests gathered Thursday evening, February 16, 2017, 6:00 p.m., in the Salvation Army Fellowship Hall, 220 West Pine Avenue, Enid, OK, for the Club's annual President's Day Chili Supper. This event included a brief business meeting.

Attendance: A.Cotter/SWL, S.Cotter/KD5EUS, F.Croucher/KG5BZR, A.Fox/KD5BA, L.Fox/KC5ZCK, M.Holloway/N5GEX, B.Keck/K5ECI, D.Locke/KC5SII, R.Murrow/AE5WA, B.Nokes/W5EIYK, V.Sanders/K55CUR, J.Scouten/KG5CWV, G.Spillman/KF5CUT, B.Wehling/KC5OKG, and K.Whites/KD5ONG. Guests: Harriet Ritter, Anita Miller, Sallie Spillman, Vonda Keck, Anita Murrow, Myrna Scouten, Roseann Whites, Penny Holloway, William Holloway, Greg Nehls, Mary Nehls, and Tim Morrison/KG5JCM.

V. Sanders, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Motion by J.Scouten, seconded by A.Fox [CARRIED, unanimous] to accept the minutes of the previous meeting as distributed and as posted to the EARC website (ARCLight-20170119.pdf).

Motion by A.Fox, seconded by B.Nokes [CARRIED, unanimous] to approve the Treasurer's report as distributed, showing in detail that, with all outstanding bills reconciled, the Club has positive checking and savings account balances at SNB as of this meeting date.

B.Keck, Treasurer, announced the receipt of the following donated items from Anne R Abernethy on behalf of her husband Sandy/WB5RRR(SK).

- Yaesu G-5500 elevation/azimuth rotator and controller
- Yaesu FT-726R VHF/UHF all-mode triband transceiver
- Dentron MT-3000A antenna tuner

B.Keck also encouraged payment of 2017 Club membership dues and emphasized the importance of maintaining at least 50% ARRL membership among EARC membership.

Upcoming Club Events:

150th Chisholm Trail Special Event Station (W5E) Apr 25-Apr 30. Portable station sites include Cherokee Strip Regional Heritage Center on April 29th. V.Sanders is local coordinator.

Upcoming Service Events:

1) Smokin' Red Dirt BBQ Cook-Off, April 21st. Need volunteers. Use FRS radios.

Committees, Assignments and Projects:

- 1) Club station progress
- Oklahoma Region 1 MERC (Life EMS suite) is partially in place. Repeater installation, antenna work next.
- Salvation Army of Enid is still in planning stage. D.Locke suggested using the Club's 60-ft tower at SA, replacing the 40-foot one there.
- Central Christian Church (Basement room). No further report.

Discussion continued on compiled list of well-attended annual events in surrounding towns where the EARC might introduce the Club and demonstrate ham radio.

New Business: None.

The Club welcomed G.Nehls, who has commenced study for the Technician licensing exam.

Motion by B.Keck, seconded by B.Nokes [CARRIED, unanimous] to adjourn at 7:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Keck/K5ECI, EARC Secretary/Treasurer