

# **Wabash Valley Amateur Radio Association**

## **December Club Meeting**

### **2016-12-02**

President Jerry Cockrell (W9GWC) called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm EST.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kevin Berlin (K9HX).

Roll Call/Introductions – There were 31 sign-ins. One new member (Gary Faulkner, KD9HEP) was in attendance.

The Club Station is open, 5:30-8:00 pm EST every Thursday. The Club Station is located on the N.E. corner of 7th and Idaho. Entrance and parking is in back of building. A new contact location off the East coast of Spain was made this past Thursday.

North Vigo High School Radio Club – The development of an after school club meeting time is being considered.

VE Report – A testing session is scheduled for 9:30 am EST, Saturday, December 10 @ Glas-Col Annex.

Education Report – Three in the current General class.

CAARLA – An after Christmas party is schedule for 11:00 am EST , Saturday, January 14 @ the Saratoga Restaurant. Please bring a White Elephant gift for exchange.

Vigo County ARES Net – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday monthly, 8:30 pm EST on 146.685 Repeater.

Secretary's Report for November 2016 WVARA Meeting – Minutes are posted on the WVARA website. Thanks to Don Pine (K9DRP) for taking minutes for our November club meeting and Board meeting.

Treasurer's Report for November 2016 – Presented/Approved – Dues are continuing to be accepted.

Election of 2017 Officers – The slate of officers (President – Kevin Berlen, K9HX; Vice-President – Jay Sotak, AB9CG; Secretary – LeRoy Sedgwick, AC9NF; Treasurer – Ray Andrews, K9DUR; Trustee – Gary Adams, W9EEU) was presented. Two motions were made. One to suspend the bylaw requiring a secret ballot and the other for the unanimous acceptance of the slate of officers. Both motions were approved. President Jerry Cockrell presented certificates to those who had served in elected positions.

Christmas Party – Saturday, December 17, 6:00 pm EST. Bring a side dish and/or dessert. Bring a \$5 gift for “Dirty Santa” exchange. Location: St. Margaret-Mary Catholic Church, Terre Haute.

Winter Field Day – January 28-29, 2017

WVARA HF Rag Chew Net – Saturday Nights, 8:00 pm EST, 3.725 (+/-3)

New Ham Operator Camp – February 4, 2017; 9:00 am – 4:00 pm EST. Brochures at next month's meeting.

SkyWarn Net – From 00:00 UTC tonight until 23:59 UTC tomorrow.

WVARA Website has been moved to a new hosting service.

50/50 Drawing – Winner: Steve Farrington, K9TA

Program – A video of a Dxpedition in 2006 to Peter I Island off Antarctica was presented by Ray Andrews (K9DUR).

WVARA Board Meeting to follow this meeting. All members are invited to attend.

Adjourned – 8:40 pm EST.

Next Meeting – January 6<sup>th</sup>