

Annual General Meeting
Saskatchewan Amateur Radio League

September 27, 2008

Called to order 15:20 UTC

Amateurs present: VE5ACJ, VE5AC, VETUJ, VE5KES, VE5DCP, VE5NAT, VE5DWT, VE5SPI, VE5LOU, VE5BAR, VE5CEM, VE5JCF, VE5NEK, VA5RJA, VE5MMG, VE5GML, VE5MAX, VE5FX, VE5AU, VETDWR, VE3EI, VE5HQ, VE5DJQ, VE5BUC, and VE5ND

- 1) Vice-President Gus Schmid (VE5SPI) first call for one minute of silence in remembrance of those Amateurs that became Silent Keys over the last year.
- 2) Gus Schmid (VE5SPI) then addressed the meeting by introducing our special guest, Eric Meth, VE5EI
- 3) Val Lemko (VE5ACJ), read the minutes of the last meeting. There being no errors or omissions, it was moved by Chris Morgan, VE5BAR that the minutes be adopted as read. Seconded by Eric Quiring, VE5HG. Carried.
- 4) Val Lemko (VE5ACJ) read the financial statements. She asked Chris Morgan, VE5BAR to explain what, why and how our Domain Name Service and the 10 year renewal worked...Chris explained that the Domain was good until October 2015. Val asked if there were any errors or omissions. There being none, she asked that Financial Statements be accepted as read. Bj Madsen, VE5BJ accepted the minutes as been read. Neil Kleibbaum, VE5NEK seconded. Passed
- 5) A) Devon Racicot (VE5DWR) spoke about the possibility of a Scholarship for harmonics of amateur Radio Operators, asking of the membership if they still felt this was worthy of pursuit. The membership agreed and Devon said he would check into and how this could come about.
B) Devon then told the Membership that he had gone to Moose Jaw in February to set up the IRLP node, and it was working very well. Devon thanked the Moose Jaw Pioneers for also taking him out for supper.
- 6) Gus, (VE5SPI) asked the membership if we should change our membership fees. It was agreed by all, that membership dues remain the same for another year. Joe Musgrave, VE5CEM motioned that we retain \$15.00 per member, and \$20.00 for family fees. Seconded by Nate Mirva, VE5NAT. Carried.
- 7) It was the general concuss that the On-Air Meetings would be scraped as it was much easier to send the Executive and Directors and general membership emails, when required.
- 8) Chris Morgan, VE5BAR told the membership that the 9300 Reflector unfortunately was down, as the building where it was had been sold, and that Sask-Tel had moved to another building. At the moment we are on the Discovery Reflector 9010 Channel 2 until we can once again find a permanent home for our reflector.
- 9) Bruce Donovan, VE5ND has graciously agreed to be our new webmaster, and to host the SARL website. He asked for someone to keep him up- to- date on contents, and Val said that she would help.
- 10) Doris Quiring, VE5DJQ asked that the goal of the SARL is to make sure that we have fair representation with RAC and IC by informing our Mid-West Director with up to date information regarding new hams, and any provincial education. She mentioned that we are the only Provincial club in Western Canada., and that we as such should be much more visible to all the hams in the province.

- 11) Nate Mirva, VE5NAT asked that more members try to become more active in ARES in all parts of the province, but especially in Saskatoon, as it is a major location and more hams are more reliable than one or two. He also said that there had been an exercise North of Saskatoon, and with the extra bodies that were in attendance, they covered much more area. They even had hams in canoes.
- 12) Val Lemko VE5ACJ asked that all clubs that were having classes to please send her the names of all the new hams that passed. This way, she can get more names to choose from for the SARL New Ham award. She said that it wasn't fair if only Moose Jaw hams got picked, as there are many other clubs across the province. Gus Schmid VE5SPI said that he would send her a list from the Saskatoon club when their course was finished.
- 13) John Anton, VE5JRA suggested that any excess equipment that hams or clubs were willing to part with should be put on a list and that way, if other clubs needed something, and then the other clubs know what is out there, and where to find it, and how much it might cost.
- 14) Devon Racicot, VE5DWR brought a proxy from Derek Bereza, VE5SD stating that he could no longer hold the office of President, due to other commitments.
- 15) Gus Schmid, VE5SPI then opened the floor for nominations for the positions of President, Vice President, and Secretary/Treasurer.
- 16) Devon Racicot, VE5DWR was nominated for President, and there were no further nominations. Devon Racicot was voted in by acclamation.
- 17) Devon Racicot, VE5DWR then said that yes, he would stand for president for 1 year only as he also is the Mid-West Director for RAC. He stated that with that job and his paying job, there was no way he could do justice to both.
- 18) Gus Schmid, VE5SPI said he would let his name stand for Vice President. Accepted.
- 19) Val Lemko, VE5ACJ said she would let her name stand for Secretary/Treasurer. Accepted.
- 20) **Executive for 2008-2009 Fiscal year of the Saskatchewan Amateur Radio League:**

President:	Devon Racicot (VE5DWR)-----signing authority
Vice President:	Gus Schmid (VE5SPI)-----signing authority
Secretary/Treasurer:	Val Lemko (VE5ACJ)-----signing authority
Past President:	Derek Bereza (VE5SD)....<u>No signing authority for any banking</u>

Following individuals allowed their names to stand as Directors:

Wayne Thompson (VE5DWT) Prince Albert & North: Gord Gwillim (VE5UJ) Saskatoon Area; Art Heibert, (VE5ARJ) Nipawin & N.E: Val Lemko, (VE5ACJ) Moose Jaw & Area: Joe Musgrave, (VE5CEM) Weyburn & Area: Nathan Mirva, (VE5NAT) Saskatoon City: Randy Molyneaux, (VE5RJM) Yorkton & Area.

Areas still needing representation are: North Battlefords & Area: Swift Current & Area: Southwest Saskatchewan and Regina.

- 21) Gus Schmid VE5SPI asked for a motion to adjourn. Bruce Donovan, VE5ND made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 16:20 UTC. Seconded by all.

Val Lemko (VE5ACJ)
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