

Directors teleconference Meeting.

May 3, 2015 – 8:15pm

Members on Line: BJ VE5FX, Harry VE5HAE, Harv VE5AC, Terry VE5TLC, Doris VE5DJQ, Val VE5ACJ, Bob VE5LTD, Gordon VE5UJ, Marv VE5OO

Missing: Ken VE5BI

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:15 pm by Doris VE5DJQ
2. There being 1 error in the previous meeting #3d. It should have read a request for the 9668 Reflector for Good Morning Net. Motion to accept minutes with the correction was made by Bob VE5LTD. Seconded by Harry VE5HAE. Carried
3. New business:
 - a) Val VE5ACJ said that for the 2015/2016 fiscal year, 4 requests for grants came in and the 5th was in the mail and she asked that each be voted on for approval.
 - i. Melfort Repeater Group- all in favor. Passed
 - ii. Saskatoon Amateur Radio Club Inc. – all in favor. Passed
 - iii. Battleford Amateur Radio Association-all in favor. Passed
 - iv. Swift Current Scouts Radio Club-all in favor. Passed
 - v. Little Bear Lake requested for upgrades-all in favor. Passed
 - b) Val VE5ACJ reminded the directors that the deadline for articles for the upcoming QSO would be June 5th at 5pm at the latest as the issue must be out no later than June 11th.
 - c) Val also asked that the directors keep any info they had at hand and put it in the QSO instead of giving it during the meeting.
4. Hamfest Update:
 - a) Val asked Bj if he had received the cheque for the 2 HT that he ordered as door-prizes. He said he had.
 - b) Doris gave a report on how things were coming along. She said that so far they have 3 possibly 4 guest speakers, Ray Unruh from EMO Saskatoon will be speaking and possibly the person in charge of EMO in Martensville will also be speaking.
 - c) Doris also asked Val about the trophies, and Val said that the number of trophies wanted to be at the hamfest in to her no later than June 25th, and that included nominations to the SARL mail.
 - d) As far as the Ladies Program, it has not been decided upon to date. There just may be a list of places where the ladies can go for the day.
 - e) Doris said a map of Martensville was on the Martensville website, and Val said she would also put a map on the SARL website.
5. Val asked for names of the New hams from the clubs. Terry VE5TLC said she would email Val with the names from the Saskatoon Club shortly, and Bob VE5LTD said he would get hold of Val VE5VAL to send the names to Val VE5ACJ
6. Val VE5ACJ said that she had had 11 members renew for the 2015/2016 year, plus a new member from Melfort area
7. The website is doing very well, getting lots of traffic and visitors to it. Val also said that the Swap and Shop section was doing so well, that sometimes things were only up 1 day before she got an email stating that the items had been sold, or that the wanted item had been located.

8. Business from the floor:

- a) Doris VE5DJQ asked why the 1 Year's Membership to SARL was not going to be given as a door-prize this year. Val said she thought that with give 2 Baofeng radios that we would not give the membership. The directors agreed that a SARL membership should also be given out to a non-member of SARL but must be a licenced amateur.
- b) Doris then brought up the IRLP Reflector 9300. She said that it was now up and running in Canora. She also mentioned that it would soon need a new computer and another battery Back-up as both were pre 2008. Apparently the hard drive was beginning to hiccup and that the UPS was new.
- c) Gordon VE5UJ said that he had been talking to Grant VE5SS and both said that Randy VE5RJM could get a new computer.
- d) Doris also indicated that if and when a new hard drive or new computer were to be purchased in Saskatoon the reflector could be programmed by the IRLP IT department prior to going out to Canora. Doris asked for a motion to pay Access Communications the \$50.00 for cable transfer from Yorkton to Canora. This was motioned by Bob VE5LTD. Seconded by Gordon VE5UJ. Doris went on to explain that Access Communications were giving us the band width required free of charge and that the reflector basically required bandwidth from 25 to 35 MHz.
Gordon went on to say that the Reflector was being put to good use and was giving a lot of exposure to ham radio.
- e) Doris also said that the amount of money needed to keep the reflector up and running should the computer and UPS die would be \$200-\$400. The present equipment has been running from prior to 2008 and hopefully we would get as much or more time from new equipment. Doris VE5DJQ and Gord VE5UJ indicated that they could cover the cost of the above until such time that this expenditure was voted on by the membership at the AGM/2015.
Lastly there needs to be a report regarding the IRLP and an explanation of Reflector 9300. Doris said she would ask Chris VE5BAR to give this at the AGM.
- f) Doris then asked if Val had the picture of Wilma Smith VE5WS. Val said she thought she did, but asked that Doris resend and that she would put it on the SARL website.
- g) Marv VE5OO reported that his YL Joan VE5TAW had had a heart attack the week previously and was home now. Val asked for permission to put that information on the websites that she maintains. Permission was given.

9. There being no further business it was motioned by Bj VE5FX that the meeting be adjourned at 9:20.