Meeting Minutes for 04/27/17

Meeting started with traditional introductions.

It was announced that effective this meeting we are discontinuing sign in sheets, since they weren't serving any valuable purpose.

Jim gave the treasurers report, followed by Robert giving the secretary report.

It was announced that David Hanna will have to vacate his position as net control due to new rules that prevent a person from being net control of two stations. This resignation will take place at the end of May. New applicants are being sought to take over for net control.

The meeting then moved into a discussion on Field Day. Marcus discussed different stations that might be setup, and the desire to keep it to 4F if possible. This, it was felt, would give a good balance between the number of stations and number of available operators.

For the remainder of the meeting, Robert gave a presentation on the N3FJP software which will be used for logging this year's Field Day contacts.

If you want to try the software out at home, simply go to:

http://n3fjp.com/index.html

Click on the Contest Logs, pick ARRL Contest Logs, then Field Day. It will download the software, installation is simple. Just launch the downloaded program, click Next through the menus, and the program will put a shortcut on your desktop. Without any license needed, you can open and experiment with it, entering up to 30 contacts.

Attendees were encouraged to download and experiment with the software prior to Field Day.

We also installed the software on several member's laptops, in preparation of Field Day. If you are going to be running a station you're encouraged to bring your laptop to the next meeting so we can install the software on your laptop.

Meeting concluded.