

General Meeting minutes for 08/08/2019

- Marcus KF4YHP, was away on vacation. In his place Vice President Michael, KA4VA greeted everyone.
- Michael reminded everyone to sign up for the EMA notification service that Hub mentioned at the last meeting. (<https://www.shelbyal.com/252/Emergency-Management-Agency-EMA>)
- Michael asked about election committee. All officers volunteered to renew, no one else expressed an interest to run so we waved an election committee. Will vote for the current slate the first meeting in September.
- The Perseid meteor storm (<https://earthsky.org/astronomy-essentials/everything-you-need-to-know-perseid-meteor-shower>) is coming up, expect to hear a lot of 2 meter meteor scatter on the air.
- Some discussion occurred on learning Morse code. The CW experts highly recommended learning using the Farnsworth method.

Treasurer Report

- Cahaba Internet was paid \$25 for our annual Helena Hamfest domain.
- William, KM4SKC gave his report. There is \$4,725.15 in the checking.
- The repeater fund had \$24 donated.
- 22 in attendance

Secretary / Webmaster Report

- We had a VE Test Session in Shelby County on August, the 4th. All 6 test takers passed their technician exams, and one person went on to also pass their general exam.
- We are still promoting our Slack page. Go to <http://w4shl.com/slack.php> to find sign up instructions.
- In addition to the Hamfest on the 17th, there is also a Vintage Computer Show at the Huntsville Library the same day, 10 to 4. <http://wlrh.org/Events/vintage-computer-day>

Vice Presidents Report

- Looking for programs.
- Next meeting on ground antennas.

Net Control

- We are looking for net control operators. The script is on the webpage under Nets & Repeaters. Contact Mike W4TRK for coordination.

Presentation

Michael, KA4VCA, gave a program on grounding antennas.