

Meeting Minutes for 08/24/17

Meeting started with traditional introductions.

Marcus greeted everyone.

Robert, N4IXT, gave Secretary report.

1. Robert reminded the group about the website, Facebook, and Twitter social media accounts, as well as the website.
2. Robert mentioned the ARA Group website has now been updated with a current list of test sessions, <http://aragroup.org>.
3. The Helena Hamfest website has now been updated, <http://helenahamfest.com>
4. If you aren't getting the emails, you can sign up at <http://w4shl.us4.list-manage1.com/subscribe?u=00999e4eee690be41628552c2&id=150d463d29>

In the absences of Jim, W4XWA, Robert gave the Treasurer report:

1. Jim was absent for this meeting due to a cold, best wishes for a speedy recovery.
2. Robert repeated stats from last meeting, just over 12,500 in bank. Insurance bills coming in, total will be about \$500.

Michael, KA4VCA, gave VP report.

1. Program for next meeting lined up.
2. Michael introduced our guest speaker.

Marcus read an email from Bob, KC4AF, to ask for people to do demos of digital modes during the Helena Hamfest.

There was discussion on setting up some events for Boy Scouts as the Jamboree on the Air is the same weekend as the Hamfest. More discussions will follow.

Meeting on the 28th of September presentation will be from Marcus on antenna climbing and the tall tower.

A special presentation was given by Richard Fleming. He talked about the radio array used at the Green Bank Observatory in West Virginia, at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory. He talked about antennas, radios, and the environment of the observatory. Thanks for a great presentation.

Meeting adjourned.