

Steering Committee Minutes March 13, 2006

The March CNHARC Steering Committee meeting was held on the air using the 147.390 repeater, the remote link on Red Hill and Echolink. The following committee members checked in:

Mike – N1VE, Dick – N1LT, Rich – N1MAW, Tom – K1LQN, Ed – N1EO, Greg – W1IP, Lee – KB1GNI, Bob – KB1JCL, Jack – WA1ZDV, Cliff – N1RCQ, Toni – AC4SD Mark - W1DDI, Doug - KB1MGL and Doug – K2ITX. Club member Rich – K1RJZ also checked in to report on 6 meter repeater progress (see below)

Tom reported on treasury balances – details to be sent to officers via email. Dick suggested that treasury numbers not be mentioned during on the air meetings.

Doug, as acting secretary, reported that more membership renewals have come in so that we now have almost 90 members. This is still way down from last year's membership of over 140. Doug recommended that someone help Conal – N1XBF with access to the 39 machine or to help him get on echolink so he can join the on the air meetings.

Jack reported that he has programs scheduled for the membership meetings through July.

Election of officers will be held at the May membership meeting. Nominating committee members take note.

Mark noted that he needs meeting minutes so he can post them on the club website. Dick reported on upcoming events where the club will be providing communications. This list is included on the club website. Dick also repeated his previous announcement that he will *not* be able to attend field this year. Someone must be appointed to get club equipment to the field day site, perhaps arrange for a new field day site and to order and prepare food for the event. Perhaps we should scale down our operation from 7 alpha to fewer stations. Doug – KB1MGL will check out Franklin Falls and Gu nstock as possible new field day sites.

Cliff reported that an ARES exercise involving the Civil Air Patrol had a communications problem since CAP could not fly due to bad

weather. Hams then became the primary communications group and all went well.

Greg asked about road cleanup activity. This has been dropped due to lack of participation. Based on Greg's comments, Dick called for a vote on CNHARC subscription and ad in World Radio News. It was agreed to take out the ad for another year at \$65 (which includes 8 free subscriptions) and that the free subscriptions be given as door prizes at future club meetings. Greg will solicit donations to cover subscription cost.

Jack reported that Shirley – KB1LEN needs more info including a description of our participation in the Lebanon walk-a-thon.

Mark will have the echolink /repeater connection finished this spring.

Rich – K1RJZ reported on his work with a new 6 meter repeater to go on the air with an antenna on the WMUR tower. He suggested an acquisition committee to find a place for the CNHARC 6 meter repeater which is nearly ready to put in operation. (See above)

There will be no license classes this spring due to lack of participants.

Dick – N1SFS asked when new ARES badges would be issued. Cliff has no info on plans to issue ARES badges.

Tom – K1LQN has offered his home as the site for the April Steering Committee meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Doug Mertz – K2ITX –
Secretary pro tem