Meeting Minutes for HDARC December 16, 2023

The meeting began at 10am with the pledge of allegiance and introductions of members.

The minutes for the November 2023 were emailed to the members. Robert Uecker seconded approving the minutes and they were approved by a voice vote.

The Treasurer reported that we are solvent.

Tom Sipp, NM5TS, the membership chairman stated that currently we have about 100 members, 3 new in just the last week.

Old Business None to discuss.

New Business

The President, David Ham, N6SIK, reported that he had been contacted by a ham radio operator from the Farmington area about setting up a student ham radio club on the Pueblo reservation. A teacher in the area is trying to set up a ham radio club on the Pueblo reservation. Herb Goodluck, N7HG, contacted David and offered to help set up this club. This is a project that can be worked on in the 2024 year.

Winter Field Day – Yul says that he contacted the Coronado site by 550 Hwy to set up for the Winter field day.

Elaine Summerfield gave the report on the East Mtn Group. They met on Tuesday, Dec 13. They are going to have a Winter field day at the pavilion in Venus Park in Edgewood. They are requesting HDARC banners and membership forms. They will need to pay for the site at \$10 per hour. Up to \$100 for the day. Their next meeting is Thursday, Jan

Becky Ham, N6TYT made a motion to allocate \$100 to the rental of the site and another \$100 for food for the winter field day. Paul Choc seconded the motion, and it was carried by voice vote.

Zoom Meeting on Wednesdays, the link is on the website.

Hamming around New Mexico. We are looking at possible sites to visit in 2024. 1, Visit the Apache bosque in April. 2. Cochitit Lake 3. Acomo Navajo reservation. If you have any suggestions, contact Becky Ham.

Pete Stein provided an update for the Duke City Ham Fest. They are still in negotiations with the Santa Ana casino for the event. They are still looking for a lot of volunteers to help set up the event.

Ken Ham, AG5UY made a motion to donate \$500 to the committee for the Duke City Ham Fest and it passed with a voice vote.

Ed Pocchia, KC2LM, is giving a presentation on ISS, talking about the slow scan TV from the space station. He talked about how to download pictures. This only happens a few times a year. It is going to be active this week.

Bill Mader gave a presentation on Antennas and how to maximize their capabilities.

The club had a raffle for a free radio at the end of the meeting. The meeting was closed at 11:45.