

HDARC Meeting Minutes for February 17, 2024

Location: North Domingo Baca Multigenerational Center, Room 4 , Albuquerque NM

- The meeting began at 10 am with the pledge of allegiance and introductions.
- The meeting minutes from January, 2024 were emailed to the members. Mike Smith made a motion to approve and Shawn Hurley seconded. Club voted by voice vote to approve.
- Tom Sipp, NM5TS gave the Treasurer's report that we are solvent.
- Tom Sipp also gave the membership report that we have 76 current members. There were 41 people in attendance at the meeting.
- East Mtn Group – They had a good turnout for their Field Day in January. There is a 4th of July city event that they will participate in, currently they are in planning mode for that. Elaine Summerhill suggested that they set up at the car show in Edgewood for Father's Day in June.
- The East Mountain Group meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at Chili Hills Restaurant in Edgewood.
- The tech fest is this Saturday, Feb 23
- Old Business
- David Ham, N6SIK talked about the silent key donations that we have received recently.
- We will set a date for the swap meet at his house in a month or so.
- Hamming around NM – We will be selecting some sites to visit and set up remote radios now that the weather is getting better.
- January Field Day – One of the sites was at the ASK Academy with the School HAM radio club. They had about 7 kids. The East Mountain group had about 10 and Yul Bratcher had about 6 people down near the Bosque.
- Yul Bratcher, NM5YUL talked about the Zombie Apocalypse Emergency event in Phoenix at the Grand Canyon University on March 23, 2024. We will be set up with radios and will also do testing for new techs and people who are upgrading.
- Cynthia Beiser volunteered to take over the refreshments for next year. A big thank you to Christina and Tom Sipp for the 4 years that they were responsible for this job.

Break

- Elections The candidates were elected by a show of hands.
 - President Mike Smith, KI5NBP
 - Vice President Mike Chirin, NM5MC
 - Treasurer Mike Chirin, NM5MC
 - Secretary Elaine Summerhill, KJ5ATL
 - Board of Directors 3 positions
 - Tom Russell, KB5KWK Harvey Dove, KI5YVY Mike Smith, KI5NVP
 - Ken Ham, AG5UY Chairman, and Mike Chirin are currently directors for another year.

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- The new officers and the new directors were installed.
- 50/50 Drawing was drawn.
- The free HAM radio was won by K5MAT, a new member.

Board of Directors Meeting occurred at 11:30 AM with membership present

- Attendees:
 - Ken Ham (Chair)
 - Mike Chirin
 - Mike Smith
 - Tom Russell
 - Harvey Dove
 - Elaine Summerhill (Secretary)

Chairman of the board remains Ken Ham by BOD member vote.

HDARC donated \$500 to Hamfest. Discussion ensued about Hamfest (Larry Goga) not upholding their end. Board voted 3 to 2 to request the money back. It will be better used by the club for school outreach.

Motion to bring vote on the issue to the general membership by Tom Russell, second by Harvey Dove.

General membership voted to let Hamfest keep the money.

Meeting closed at 11:55.

