

Starke County Amateur Radio Club minutes for January 20<sup>th</sup> 2011.

Meeting was called to order at 7:14 with the Pledge being recited.

We had 21 members and 2 guests present.

**Old Business:**

A repeater report was given by John, who stated that the new repeater was order. The controller will be different and will probably not announce the time and date like the present one.

Tony reported that Grants were received from REMC and Stark County Foundation for upgrades on the repeater.

He also announced that John had stepped down as RACES Officer and that he was now the RO and Randy, KC9ISJ was his assistant.

EMA Director donated 2 weather radios to the club. Discussion was on whether to raffle them off or have a contest and use them for prizes, or even to hold a drawing at Field Day.

Janet, KC9HuG gave her treasurer report. As of 1/2010 we had \$268.00 and at 12/2010 we had \$856.70. She also reported she paid for the shelter for Field Day, which was \$50.00 for both days.

The *End of the Year* Special Event was a big success. Mike reported he made 35 contacts, David made 5, Randy made 4, with Dwight, 1 and John made 100 contacts.

Levi talked about MARS use of digital and announced that Tony had been made the Training Division Assistant to the Director for Training.

**New Business:**

Field Day planning has started and everyone needs to think about when they are going to operate. Randy said we need night time operators to sign up. Hugh volunteered for the night shift.

Discussion also covered whether we should be a 3A station this year, with 1 digital and 2 SSB radios.

It was agreed that more discussion would be needed to decide what we will do.

Everyone was reminded to operate during the IN QSO Party on May 7<sup>th</sup>.

The raffle brought in \$22.00.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:30 local time.