

The August 2016 Membership Meeting of the Wisconsin Valley Radio Association was held on Tuesday, August 2, 2016 at Rasmussen College. President Joe Schoebel, KD9CJX was absent. Vice President Michael Martens, KB9VBR, called the meeting to order at 6:48 PM.

In attendance

Treasurer's Report – Wendy, KC9VIO

- As of 8/2/2016
- Savings = \$564.66
- Checking = \$1961.72
- Total = \$2461.72
- See attached for details
- Approved

Secretary's Report – Bob, WB9RND

- Paper copies passed around
- Approved

ARES / RACES Report – Michael, KB9VBR

- Next meeting 8/22, State Patrol HQ
- SET on Oct 1
- ARES/RACES Conference on Oct 22 in Wisconsin Rapids
- There were a couple of activations in June and July

Old Business

- Wausau Marathon
- Jack is still taking sign ups for Ham volunteers
- Need 11 Ops to assist
- Arrive at Marathon Park 0600, Races begin at 0700. Done around noon.
- Field Day Wrap up
- Assembling the committee for 2017
- Not able to setup the tower
- Wire antenna worked OK
- Summer Picnic
- ~20 attendees
- Repeaters
- New voice repeater for the UHF Linked system on 444.425
- Merrill and Suring nodes are up
- FOX location is the area hub
- Packet and APRS are up
- Detecting some intermod
- Club apparel
- Tabled until the September meeting

New Business

- Web site
- KB9VBR is doing updates

- Forward adjustments, corrections, broken links etc.
- Considering discontinuing email forwarding
- Will eventually post meeting minutes
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- Calendar
- 2016: Sold 70 at 410
- Looking for vintage photos by Aug 31
- Club history, vintage gear, format not critical – will scan as necessary
- Anticipate Oct 1 printing
- Advertising via member lists, other clubs, hamfests, web site
- Sales almost pay for tower rent
- Sponsor/advertisers cover printing costs
- VE Session
- Sat., Aug 13, 9a/10a-12n at Rasmussen
- 4<sup>th</sup> of 4 sessions as required by By laws
- May host Tech Class after Christmas
- NPOTA
- Op from NW Wisconsin trails
- St Croix Scenic Riverway
- Solon Springs North Country Trail
- Ice Age Trail
- Local WVRA Net
- To start 8/3, 9pm on 147.135
- Avoids conflict with D-STAR Net, subject to change
- Colby Hamfest, 10/8
- WVRA has been offered a table
- “For the Good of the Club” Award
- Thanks to Mark, N9MEA who spend independence Day weekend at the repeater site and donated a hard case for the TS-2000

Motion to adjourn, 7:03pm

- Moved – W9BVX, Seconded – KB9VBR, Passed

Next Meeting – Tuesday, September 6, 6:45pm at Rasmussen College

Program

- Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, ARRL Contest Branch Manager

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Aspinwall, WB9RND  
2016 WVRA Secretary