

SIARC Minutes for January 12, 2011

Meeting Called to order:

By President Scott Teresi N2UMH at **19:20**
13 in attendance

The December Christmas party was a great success and welcome to the New Year.

Secretary Report:

Secretary Ray Dreimiller AB2UY was out of town so the reading of the December minutes was waived.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurer Stan Avery W3MD reported after expenses incurred by the Christmas party of \$24.71 and a deposit of \$20.00 from Mr. Larry Carter N2MLH for a 2 year membership, the balance in the SIARC Canandaigua National Bank checking account was \$1535.22. The figures were motioned to be accepted by Vern Kunes N2YZS and 2nd by James Wagner KB2PVR. Figures accepted.

Net report:

Vice President Steve Benton WB2VMR reported there were approximately 540 Check in's for the 2010 year. The average number of check in's per net was 7 from Ontario County and 4 from other counties.

Tom Rosicka W2TF, Tom Sanders KB2NCI, and Steve Benton WB2VMR rotated as net control. Steve invited more participants to volunteer as net and assistant net control operators during these practice drills to learn and gain experience.

Steve also credited the increase in weekly participation to the Wayne County RACES and ARES group.

90% of the participating Check in's also receive the drill message by way of MT63 2000 digital mode.

President Scott Teresi N2UMH was very pleased to see the number of people receiving and transmitting digital modes increasing.

Hospital Report:

Dave Foster AB2WZ reported no changes for Clifton Springs, Geneva General, or Soldiers and Sailors hospitals but F.F. Thompson received their Ham Radio equipment including a Kantronics 9612 TNC for digital operation. They still needed to acquire the computer and a couple of miscellaneous connectors.

Time frame for the installation was undetermined. Thompson is undergoing a re-model and location for the operating station has not been determined.

New Business:

President Scott Teresi N2UMH would like suggestions for upcoming meetings; guest speakers, hands on projects, and equipment training are some examples.

Vice President Steve Benton WB2VMR suggested buying APRS kits with the SIARC club splitting the cost with members who would like to buy, build and use them. He estimated the price of \$60.00 for each unit. \$30.00 the club would pay and \$30.00 paid by the member.

President Scott Teresi asked for a more accurate cost report and liked the idea. General club member reaction was also positive.

A new yahoo group was created for the purpose of mentoring Hams that need help with equipment or have questions in general about Ham radio. It was also created to be a forum for topics that can be discussed before and after the regular SIARC once a month meeting. One example is Field Day where everything can't be settled during regular meetings and only 6 meetings left before June 25th.

A Yahoo id is required. The name of the group is: Ontario County Ham Radio.

Field Day:

Don Smith N2VDE Field Day organizer was not present.

President Scott Teresi N2UMH suggested the 2011 event to be held at the Geneva Town Hall. This is a new addition to the W2ONT Ontario County RACES repeater system. Ontario County RACES was given an office to operate from as well as the repeater space in the Town Hall. The site has 24 hour access, rest rooms, and would qualify for EOC points for the contest. Public officials would be invited to see their new community service in action and would be more likely stop in for a tour and sign the log.

James Wagner KB2RPV also suggested operating a special event station at the Geneva Town Hall to celebrate the repeater and the opening of the RACES office.

Open Floor:

Jay Hamill KC2TCM talked about his special project for long distance wireless internet access. If possible he will bring some of the equipment to the next SIARC meeting for a demonstration. Jay also reviewed his numerous Chinese dual band radios and accessories giving the good points and bad points of each and answered questions from members.

The meeting was adjourned at **20:18** with a motion from Jay Hamill KC2TCM and 2nd by John Park WA2SSJ.

Location:

Ontario County Safety Training Facility
2914 County Rd. 48
Town of Hopewell
Canandaigua, NY 14424
Room # 4

Members in attendance:

N2MLH	Larry Carter
WB2VMR	Steve Benton
	JoAnne Rosato
	James Rosato
	Bobbi Perrotti
KB2RPV	James Wagner
N2YZS	Vern Kunes
KC2TCM	Jay Hamill
W2FUI	Ron Roach
WM3D	Stan Avery

WA2SSJ
AB2WZ
N2UMH

John Park
Dave Foster
Scott Teresi