

MOUND AMATEUR RADIO ASSOCIATION – MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2011

The April meeting of the MARA Club was called to order at the Mound Clubhouse at 7:00PM by President Jack Melke – KM8N.

Member present – 13

Guest -1

Jack – KM8N, Ken – AC8AV, Gail – KD8CXB, Claude – KC8TFY, Jay- N8IPO, Sam – WA8VIW, Carl – WD8NHK, Mike – KD8OCA, Harry – AC8G, Mike - K8MJH, Tom – W8WGT, John – AA8PB, Mike – WA8VMR
Judy Hibbard- Guest

Ken – AC8AV Secretary, read the March 2nd, meeting minutes. The minutes were accepted with no correction; a motion was made to accept, seconded and passed.

Ken – AC8AV read the reported financials as Dick - KB8MMW Treasurer was absent. The financials were accepted, seconded and passed by the membership.

Checking	1650.90
Savings	748.76
<u>Money Mkt.</u>	<u>865.29</u>
Total	\$3264.96

Standing Committee Reports

- Membership Chair – Jack KM8N reported a new petition was received, applied by a previous MARA member, Larry Apple – N8MYQ. The petition was read and accepted, and the membership voted unanimously to accept. Welcome Larry!
- Equipment Manager – Jay N9IPO reported that he will be working with Leslie KC8YZI to record some new messages on the repeater.
- Entertainment Chair – Carl WD8NHK along with his lovely wife Judy, reported the next Club Breakfast outing will be Saturday the 16th, at 9:30AM. The Second Street Café in Miamisburg has breakfast available along with your favorite morning drinks. An email invite will be sent out soon.
- Emergency Response Chair – Jack KM8N. Bill White at Sycamore Medical Center appreciates all those members who signed up for emergency radio assistance for Sycamore. The last Tuesday of the month will be the next MOCOARES meeting at Miami Township on Lyons Road. Please check the MOCOARES website for details of the meetings and NET's.
- Antenna Chair – Antenna party is scheduled for Wednesday April 13th at 6:30PM at the Mound Clubhouse.

OLD BUSINESS

MARA 50th Anniversary – September 23, 2012 is the tentative date. Coordination with the City of Miamisburg and the Mound Museum may adjust the date after further meeting and discussion.

- **Tour d 'Burg – We will provide race marshalling and street safety again for this public service event. Please plan to help out, as this is a very good opportunity to use our radio skills and equipment.**
- **DP&L Foundation – Jack KM8N received a reply from the Foundation regretting that they would not be able to provide funding for the wire antenna project in the Mound Park for MARA.**

NEW BUSINESS

- **City of Miamisburg Parks & Recreation – Jack KM8N met with the new Manager Ryan Davis. Mr. Davis didn't think that there would be funding for paving or gravel for the parking lot at the Club House. He suggested parking in the main lot when the weather is bad etc. He did say that they may be able to work with us to get permission for wood pole placement near the fenced boundary of the park. The city will provide for the installation of a thermostat to control the electric baseboard heaters inside the clubhouse, and will paint some the metal frames on the windows.**
- **MOU's for Miamisburg, Miami Twp., Sycamore Medical Center & West Carrolton. – Jack has been drafting and editing the new proposed MOU's for these entities. Jack discussed the MOU for West Carrolton with Larry Apple and they feel that there is an existing MOU letter in place and at this time needs no changes. Jack read the MOCOARES proposed MOU from John Reid to the membership. This was previously rejected by the Executive Board in March. There was much discussion. A motion was made, seconded and passed to let MOCOARES use the 145.330 repeater if Montgomery County EOC is activated. Provided that an appointed officer calls our Station Trustee, Steve Gibson – N8DNG and makes direct contact and is granted permission. Such stipulations could be that MARA is using the repeater or we granted permission to another licensed body or affiliate which would take precedence.**
- **Hamvention – Saturday the 14th of May will be a planned “get it together” at the Club House for our flea market items. A time and date will be posted on the May Minutes, so keep an eye out. Please start gathering items and let all know that if they have something to sell we get 10% of the purchase price as a fund raiser for MARA. John AA8PB has acquired our tickets for the Flea Market again, Sam WA8VIW has graciously donated the use of the truck, and Steve K3ERN donated items to sell. Thanks to John, Sam and Steve for the extra effort, again.**

The gavel was passed and the meeting was closed at 8:08PM

The next stated meeting will be May 4th, at 7:00PM. Executive Board meets at 6:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ken Jennings – AC8AV, Secretary

