## M c A R C S

Mendocino County Amateur Radio Communication Service

Thursday, December 1st, 2011 ~ 1730 Minutes

#### **Introductions and Announcements**

Present: Tim Hanna, Jim Cline, Nick Wharff, John Lemmer, Dave Jordan, Steve Turner, Alan Spivak

Treasurer's Report

- Jim Cline was given a \$22 check at the last meeting for reimbursement for pizza.
- The current account balance is \$440.13.

#### Old Business

List of prospective McARCS qualified operators

- John came up with a tentative list.
- The list consists of hams that both have and have not performed net control on the countywide net.
- There is debate on what criteria would be used to qualify someone for the list.
- John thinks there might be a need for two lists with different criteria for each.
- Steve proposes the two lists: observer/reporter and net control.
- Steve also proposes forwarding the list(s) to the police chiefs and the sheriff once it is relatively complete.
- Dave found a website for producing ID cards and has come up with several prospective designs.

Holiday Dinner

- People coming from all over the county, and even out of the county.
- The current RSVP total is 41.
- Current list of prizes: three \$25 HRO certificates, books, Wouxun dual-band HT.

Class and test

- Four people in Covelo studying for the test, not much other interest so far.
- John notified no-shows from the last test in May 2010, not much response so far.
- John has put up one poster so far and has notified the local CERT group.
- More notification and word-of-mouth is needed, the minimum required class/test group size is 10.
- Ideally there will be at least a month's notice of sufficient class size for Dale Westerterp, that would be late February.
- John will be out of town for about a month, he will try to keep up with any emails if possible.
- Tim has contacted the county health department and other health facilities about the

The next meetings are scheduled as follows January 5th, 2012 February 2nd, 2012 http://mcarcs.org/



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test, so there may be more participation coming from there.

Digi Net

- Limited participation lately.
- Moved back to Tuesday evenings.

### New Business

ARES 101 training - Santa Rosa, January 14th

- All day training
- Jim and Nick are going to the training

Food at meetings

- Are we going to meet at the EOC next month? There is no oven there, so we will either need to get precooked pizza, a different venue, or no/other food.
- Round Table Pizza has a meeting room in the back, enough room for a McARCS meeting. Salad and beer as well!

