



# Bartlesville Amateur Radio Club

## Meeting Minutes

7 March 2024

### I. Welcome

Steve Stephens-N5UG welcomed the attendees to the Bartlesville Amateur Radio Club (BARC) meeting at 7:00 p.m. on 7 March 2024 at Bartlesville Public Library, Meeting Room C, 600 S Johnstone Ave, Bartlesville, OK 74003.

### II. Introductions

Visitors were welcomed. Name and call sign were shared.

### III. Monthly Meeting Minutes

February highlights of the club meeting minutes were presented by Mark Cragun-KD5FZL with a motion to accept the summary and minutes as posted on the club website. Al Morrison-N5XPX seconded the motion. All voting approved the motion.

### IV. Treasurer's Report

Don Poquette-KE9XB presented the treasurer's report for February with a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented. Rob Henson-KI5QCM seconded the motion. All voting approved the motion.

### V. Old Business

- a) A brief report was made for the communication preparedness net that is held on the first Sunday of the month at 20:00 local time. Net starts on repeater 146.655MHz and moves to simplex 146.450MHz.
- b) Club sponsored a VE testing session on Saturday 2 March 2024. Upcoming sessions are planned for 15 June, 24 August, 19 October at 9:00 a.m.
- c) Don Poquette-KE9XB reported on the status of EchoLink. The existing hardware is not functioning properly. Don recommended to purchase a Signal Link sound card interface ~\$120-140 for the club EchoLink setup. Bobby Lemaster-KI5OJX made the motion with Al Morrison-N5XPX seconding the motion. All voting supported the motion with no opposing votes.
- d) Donald Ewing-N5SGE reported on the storm spotter training. Training in Tulsa (Saturday, 16 March at 9:00 am) and other locations can be found at [WFO Tulsa Spotter Training \(weather.gov\)](https://www.weather.gov/tsa/spotter_training)  
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- e) Don Poquette-KE9XB reported on the junior / senior division of the Bartlesville Science Fair Saturday, 3 February 2024. The club presented an award to a joint project on batteries at various temperatures.

### VI. New Business

- a) The [Roger County Wireless Association](#) is going to have a presentation on Alternative power, from portable ops to go boxes to how to power your entire shack off grid!! Saturday March 9 at 9:00 am Harvey Young Airport 1419 S 135th E Ave, Tulsa OK 74108



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- b) Steve Stephens-N5UG led the discussion on field day. He invited those interested in participate in the planning of field day to get with him. The club discussed the location for field day. Don Poquette-KE9XB made a motion to reserve the pavilion that was used last year in Johnston Park for field day. If not available then to reserve the pavilion at Sooner Park. Jerry Moyer-AC5JM seconded the motion with all voting in favor of the motion.

### **VII. Business Meeting Adjourned**

Bobby Lemaster-KI5OJX made a motion to adjourn the business portion of the meeting; Don Poquette-KE9XB seconded with BARC members supporting adjourning the business meeting.

### **VIII. Presentation**

Paul Reedy-KA5PMV and Don Poquette-KE9XB gave a presentation on amateur feed lines: coax, ladder line, and wave guides.

Minutes submitted by: Mark Cragun – KD5FZL