

Purchase Area Amateur Radio Society, Inc

Minutes January 22, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Tracy McKinney W4IRT at 5:00 pm.

Attendance:

Members: Tracy McKinney W4IRT, Diana Mishica K4IRU, Candy Aldrich KJ4OZU, Bob Aldrich WD8OWA, Stuart Naulty KN4RGB, Bill Call KJ4W, Charles Isele N1CDK, Josh Kerr WV4O, James Flood KJ4TKL, Mark Germain KC9FOC, Paul Hendrix KJ4BCF, Jessica Hendrix KQ4FDS, Donna Pursifull K4DPE, Joe Wray WD4GXI, Debbie Barton W8IBT, Denis Barton WB8SKP.

Guests:

Steve Sacco W1KYL, John Hart KO4ZE, Phillip Wright NJ3J, Mike Dowdy WA4SKU.

Tracy McKinney W4IRT asked if any of the new members or visitors had any questions about the purpose of PAARS. None asked. He explained that PAARS was formed as a support group for MSUARC and other Ham clubs in the area. That support includes educational activities, assisting in local emergencies and maintaining an amateur radio station. Also, PAARS is a 501C which enables PAARS to apply for public and private grants.

There was some discussion about maintaining the relationship with ARRL. ARRL requires a certain percentage of members to be ARRL members. Joe Wray WD4GXI asked how many attending are ARRL members. Almost all (20) present acknowledged ARRL membership.

Minutes - October 16, 2023

Correction needed for Charles Isele call sign to N1CDK.

Motion was made by Donna Pursifull K4DPE to accept the minutes with correction made.

Bill Call KJ4W seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report -Debra Barton W8IBT

Treasurer's Report for October 16, 2023

Income

Donations /Dues Received	\$ 90.00
Interest earned	\$ <u>.31</u>
Total	\$ 90.31

Expenses

None	\$ 0.00
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Previous Balance	\$ 1,222.42
Income	\$ 90.31
Expenses	\$ <u>0.00</u>
Current Balance	\$ 1,322.73

Treasurer's Report for January 22, 2024

Income

Donations /Dues Received	\$ 55.00
Interest earned	\$ <u>.34</u>
Total	\$ 55.34

Expenses

Website Domain Renewal	\$ 19.00
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Previous Balance	\$ 1,312.73
Income	\$ 55.34
Expenses	\$ <u>19.00</u>
Current Balance	\$ 1,349.07

Old Business

HamFest KY Dam Village

Tracy McKinney left a voice mail message for Ella Bennett concerning availability and costs. She has not yet returned his call.

Tracy has also contacted Scott Holt about costs. He is still waiting for a response.

October 18th and 19th (2024??) are possible dates.

After we hear about costs, we will contact the other area ham clubs and form a committee.

Jonathon Creek Repeater

Tracy is going to invite the trustee and others that may be involved with the repeater to our next meeting. We are curious as to the future of the Jonathan Creek repeater and want to know their thoughts. We can provide assistance with repairs or fees if needed. In addition, we will invite them to join PAARS.

Memorandum of Understanding for 105 N. 5th Street
Done

New Business

New Members

The following have applied for membership:

Phillip Wright NJ3J Full Member

Richard (Steve) Fricker KQ4FCI Full Member

John Hart KO4ZE Full Member

Steven Sacco W1KYL Full Member

Motion was made by Bob Aldrich WD8OWA to accept the new members.

Motion was seconded by Joe Wray WD4GXI.

Motion carried.

Coffee and Ham Event

The next event will be January 27, 2024 at 9:00am -11:00am at 102 N. 5th Street, Murray, KY.

ARDC Grant for Communications Trailers

PAARS can apply for a grant to help with expenses going forward for MSU radio club's trailer tower. We will present the proposal to the membership and see if they want to move forward.

IRS 990N

This is due on the 15th of the month of the 5th month after our fiscal year ends. That is May 15, 2024.

Josh Kerr WV4O will file the IRS 990N.

Tracy McKinney W4IRT asked if the membership was interested in having a 2M net possibly on Monday nights at 7pm. The possibility of a simplex net was discussed. Nothing was decided.

Bill Call suggested we take the trailer tower out for training and practice drills on some Saturdays.

Elections for officers will be at the next meeting.

Next meeting is April 15, 2024 at 5:00pm at 102 N. 5th Street, Murray, KY.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.