

CMRA General Meeting Minutes - 11/12/24

Jim, K0MIZ, called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM at Boone County Electric Coop.

GENERAL BUSINESS

- There were 24 members present.
- Minutes from the October meeting were approved. Please read the minutes on the website prior to any meeting as they are not read at the meeting.
- Our Treasurer, Herb, K0ZB, reported a checking balance of \$7,450.47 and a CD balance of \$2,349.71. The Treasurers report was approved.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Committee/Officer Reports:
 - **Education** – Herb, K0ZB, reported that we had 11 students scheduled for the Fall Technician Class, with 1 deferred to the Spring Class. 6 passed for their Technician, and 1 for the General. 3 Failed. Spring class starts March 6, 2025, with Demo on March 20, 2025, and Testing on April 10, 2025. Please mark your calendars.
 - **Testing** – Bob, AE0UB, reported 5 people tested in October, with 3 passing Technician. 2 of those attempted General, but failed. Also, the remaining 2 testing for Extra and both passed.
 - **President Report** – Our president, Jim K0MIZ, reported that we currently have the Watt Room and Kitchen at Boone Electric Coop reserved for the Pot Luck Christmas Party at the December meeting. He has a sign up sheet for what to bring, and asked if you didn't sign up, please send a message on the reflector as to what you may bring. Also, indicate if you are bring a guest so that we can get an accurate headcount.

OLD BUSINESS

- Herb, K0ZB, has been researching CD interest rates and banking features with several banks. Our current bank, Central Bank, is limited on extra banking features (mobile deposits, etc.) unless we pay a monthly fee. Other banks do not require this fee. He is considering recommending Tiger Credit Union and wants to address this with BCARES so that both organizations will be at the same bank. Also, he is suggestion that purchase smaller 12 month CDs each month to allow a CD to become renewable each month in case funds are needed, therefore we would not need to cash out a CD with a penalty. A motion was made to approve this, but with the request to discuss banking with BCARES, the motion was withdrawn so this idea was tabled for a later date.
- Bill, N0AXZ, discussed the November 2nd SET. The event was a success with 22 operators with home check ins, multiple reports in Winlink. Later operators were sent to warming centers to report status via Winlink. We even had an Howard County operator reporting. Bill is considering some Peer to Peer Winlink exercises for the winter.

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- Earnest, K0CEZE, reported on the Scouting Jamboree on the Air event. Multiple members participated and the Scouts made multiple SSB and FT8 contacts. Earnest then handled out patches from Scouting for the participants. Chris, K0PHP further discussed their use of DMR during the event.

NEW BUSINESS

- Jim, K0MIZ, reported that a committee is being formed to identify candidates for officer positions in 2025. Nominations will be made in the December Meeting with elections in January 2025. John, KC0HSB, reported that he does not wish to continue as Corresponding Secretary. Also, Bob, AE0UB, said he will continue as Recording Secretary for 2025, but this will be his last year in that position.
- Jim, K0MIZ, reported that he has reserved the Watt Room at Boone County Electric for 2025, although September and November dates are not available. Arrangements for those meetings will be made at a later date.
- Chris, K0PHP, reported that Joint Communications is moving equipment and we hope to have our VARA FM antenna back in a few weeks.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM

Program: John, NO0I, presenting information about his findings and success in contacting satellites and the ISS via Ham Radio. An information sheet with more information and web sites for reference will be placed in the reflector.

Respectfully submitted
Bob Ackerman, AE0UB, Recording Secretary

GENERAL INFORMATION OF INTEREST

Monthly **CMRA** meeting, 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00pm at:

Boone Electric Cooperative
1413 Rangeline St
Columbia, MO 65201

Weekly Wednesday Luncheon at Hy-Vee on Conley is activated. Everyone welcome 11:30-ish.

Coffee w/Elmers fellowship each Saturday morning @8:30 on Zoom. Contact Chris, K0PHP, for details.

Testing is conducted at Lenoir Woods Retirement Facility in Columbia on the 3rd Tuesday each month. Contact Bob, AE0UB, or any Club Officer to register for an exam session.

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Equipment Loan Program—See <https://k0si.net/membership/equipment-loan-policies/> for the club's equipment loan policies.

Dues for 2025 are soon due. Please pay by the end of the year. Give cash to the Treasurer at a meeting, or mail to the following address, or use K0SI.Net for online payment with a credit card.

CMRA
PO Box 283
Columbia, MO 65205

BCARES is meeting in person now at the ECC press room. 6:30pm 1st Tuesday of each month.

2121 County Drive
Columbia, MO 65202

WEEKLY NETS *

- Columbia - CMRA/BCARES Weekly Net on Wednesday Nights @ 9:00 PM – 146.760 (-600 Khz) pl 127.3
- Fulton – Callaway Amateur Radio League - 2M Net Wednesday Nights @ 8:45 PM 147.315 (+600Khz) pl 127.3
- Mexico - 2 M Net Tuesday Nights @ 8:00 PM – 147.255 (+600 kHz) pl 127.3
- Boonville – W0BRC Boonville Amateur Radio Club - 2 M Net Thursdays @ 8:30 PM – 147.360 (+600 kHz) No Tone
- Jefferson City – Mid-Mo ARC Wednesdays @ 8:00 PM – 147.000 (-600 kHz) pl 127.3
- Rolla – RRARS – Nightly Net @ 8:00 PM – 146.790 (-600 Khz) pl 88.5
- PSK31 @ 8:30 Sundays – 3.580
- A new Winlink Vara FM node has been added for 144.97. Check out K0PHP-10. **NOTE: This node is currently out of service.**

* If anyone knows the names of the clubs not listed in the above listing, or if you have a club net you want to be listed, please email the list to AE0UB@ARRL.NET, so those names can be added.