



Minutes of the
Sedalia – Pettis Amateur Radio Klub
Sedalia, Mo

Meeting: January 7, 2023
Program: DMR (Following meeting)
Meeting leader: Bret Kuhns, W0VK
Meeting Location: Pettis County EMA 1511 N Ohio, Sedalia MO

29 total in attendance; 28 members; 7 VE; 15 ARRL
(Sign in sheet maintained in separate file)

OPENING:

Bret, W0VK – Club President; Meeting started early 8:26 am introducing a new club activity. A raffle will be held at the beginning of this and all future meetings. Buy chances for \$1 donation. Tickets are then drawn. 1st draw gets 1st choice of available items. 2nd draw gets 2nd choice. Unchosen items then go into inventory for the next month’s raffle. Donations go to club treasury. Today, \$34 was collected.

Meeting began at 8:36 am. Introductions were skipped. Bret gave a 2023 year outlook for the club with activities to include, but not limited to: + Workshops to follow monthly meetings + Winter FD + Website upgrade + Continue monthly POTA events + License testing + License training class + Weather spotter training + Field Day + Turkey Trot + Sparkfest + Fox hunt + Youth program + monthly raffle + Club incentive award + SET + parade + MO QSO party.

OFFICER REPORTS:

Secretary: Harry, K0TV Club Secretary presented summary of last month’s meeting minutes. Printed copies were available at the meeting and had previously been posted on the club website. Don, KF0ARQ moved to accept minutes, a 2nd was received, PASSED.

Treasurer: Richard, KE0QYA Club VP presented the report submitted by John, N0XG the club treasurer. The NET amount in the club treasury is \$6,611. Don, KF0ARQ moved to accept treasurer report, a 2nd was received, PASSED. Annual Dues is due announcement was made.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

TESTING: Bret, W0VK reported there will be testing session following meeting today.

TRAILER: Paul, KD0ETL and Mark, K0NYE reported trailer status is READY to deploy.

TRAINING: Daren, KD0OPS reported DMR presentation following today’s meeting. Future presentations will be on Fusion, APRS, Pi-Star, Antenna building. A license class will be conducted later in the year. Connie, WA0QCJ reported that the 10 session CW class was completed OK. A ceremony was conducted during the meeting where certificates were handed out.

REPEATERS: 2-Meter is OK; 6-Meter is waiting for parts; 1.25-Meter was off the air but now operational again. There was an issue with the internet connection; Warsaw Fusion is OK and there is a plan to move it to a higher elevation for better coverage. 1,140’ ground elevation and 150’ tower is being considered.; DMR repeater is OK.

NETS: Richard, KE0QYA took volunteers for monthly NCS and had overwhelming response. Members were invited to check into a net conducted by Dwayne, KB9TQJ on 3.855 following the weekly club net. Don, KF0ARQ reported that a recent Tuesday ‘Rag Chew’ net went for over an hour and covered a wealth of various interesting topics. Paul, KD0ETL reported that on air activity on 3.813 has been spotty due to band conditions but New year’s eve brought out many operators at midnight to welcome the new year via HF.

EMCOMM –Richard, KE0QYA reported there were 11 check-ins to the recent siren test net.; Paul, KD0ETL gave ARES report saying that club members are invited to the March 2 weather service spotter training event to be held via teleconference at the EMA building. There was discussion, and no opposition, to using the club 2M repeater as a backup for the primary EMA spotter radio network.

PUBLIC INFORMATION – Richard, KE0QYA gave Face Book/website report. There is an effort to keep everything online up to date. Scott, KJ4MFW reported there were now about 10 club videos on the YouTube channel. He offered to help others who might want to be contributors to that activity. Connie, WA0QCJ gave the newsletter report. The current 'Who's it' clues stumped all the members present at the meeting so is still a mystery.

WRECKING CREW – Dennis, KY0P has an open project involving a coax connector. Harry, K0TV has an open project involving a coax connector. Steve, WA0WUY has an open project that will require work on a mast and stringing some cable.

HEALTH & WELLNESS – Marcia, KF0HYQ reported her committee is ready to provide support to members.

OLD BUSINESS:

CLUB INSURANCE – Expense that was approved at last meeting has been PAID.

NEW BUSINESS:

Spotter Training – March 2 at the EOC, SPARK members are invited to attend.

MO-KAN Council 2023 membership – Bret, W0VK paid \$20 fee 12/14/2022 as donation to the club. The \$20 initiation fee was waved. So, the SPARK club is a member of Mo-Kan for 2023.

Biennial Registration Report – State of Missouri – Bret, W0VK paid \$25.75 fee 12/13/2022 as a donation to the club and the SPARK club is now current.

Winter FD – Paul, KD0ETL agreed to chair this event to be held at the Pettis EOC office. KF0ARQ, KJ4MFW, and KD0OPS agreed to assist. Harry, K0TV agreed to process and submit points.

Field Day – Dwayne, KB9TQJ agreed to be event chair. FD will be held at the Pettis EOC this year to accommodate a longer duration event participation. The location will also open the chance to participate as a class-F EOC station.

ARRL Special Service Club – Annual online update for this special recognition was assigned to Harry, K0TV.

SPARKFEST – Scheduled for October 14. And the Lutheran Church on W. Broadway is again planned for the location. Bret, W0VK will chair the event. This year, a 9 person committee will be formed in an effort to equalize the work load as well as cross-train other members on how to conduct this event.

WRAPUP:

Don, KF0ARQ has a complete DMR outfit for sale. Radio, Hotspot, accessories.

Dwayne, KB9TQJ has an Ameritron 811H amplifier for sale.

Next meeting will be February 4, 2023 at the Pettis EOC 1511 N. Ohio.

A testing session will follow the meeting today.

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Don, KF0ARQ moved to adjourn the meeting. A 2nd was received. PASSED
Meeting closed at 9:53 am.

These minutes submitted by
Harry Burford, K0TV
SPARK Secretary