

# Alabama Repeater Council

## Meeting Minutes

### Montgomery Hamfest – November 10, 2012

Meeting was called to order at 11:05 by David Drummond, W4MD. After a few opening remarks, the Minutes from the previous meeting (Huntsville) were distributed, read and approved.

W4MD, Presidents Report – All but a few ARRL Directories have been mailed out. Urged attendees to continue to support ARC with paid membership dues and involvement. Briefly reviewed the results of the Huntsville ARC Meeting and election of Directors.

KCOONR, Vice-President Report – Steve Flory had contacted Bill about being absent from meeting. No known issues at this time in the Northeast Alabama area.

N4KRJ, Treasure Report – Very light membership activity, only a few expenses related to travel for Hamfests.

CHECKING: 3060.10                      SAVINGS:    5785.73

K4WWN, Frequency Coordinator – Time to begin work on the ARRL Directory files; Howard will begin sending updates and paperwork to allow trustees to update repeater info.

Misc Coordination Activity: 443.1 applications completed (KJ4MTX)  
KI4ADV (Ben) has submitted and application for coordination  
Lester Crane has relocated 444.7 into Shelby County  
Birmingham Club to take over repeater from Hop Hayes

General review of coordination notes from Huntsville (See Huntsville Mins)

#### Directors Reports

Tommy Golden – No issues in South Central  
Tommy Howell – (Rusty Hoyt) – No issues in North Central  
Wiley Boswell – No issues  
Bob Luman – No issues

#### General Discussion

David, W4MD, referenced an email sent to Directors concerning possible interference in the Mobile, AL area on 146.820. For the record, email is attached to this document.

Todd Phippen (KI4DFC) and John Eckardt (N3FU), were in attendance and discussed D-Star interference with 145.130 in Littleville, AL (near Enterprise). They reported interference issues with the Crestview, FL D-Star repeater on the same frequency. They have noticed consistent issues for about 2 years. David and Howard discussed possible causes and options for pursuing resolutions. Howard will contact Frank Butler, W4RH and discuss the issue.

During the discussion, Tommy Golden included an additional interference issue with 147.330 in Camden, AL and a D-Star repeater in Florida.

After additional discussion, Howard will follow up with Florida and Frank Butler on these issues.

Kirk R. Junkin, N4KRJ

ARC DUES PAID:

5.00 WX4WIA, Nathaniel Overall

10.00 KE4LTT, Wiley Boswell