

OUARC Meeting Minutes
1 November 2007, 7:00 p.m.
Greek House, 768 Jenkins Ave.

Reminders:

- Our next meeting will be 7 p.m. Thurs., 6 Dec. 2007 @ Asian Buffet (just east of Alameda & 12th Ave. SE)
- Next SCARS meeting is 9:30 a.m., Sat., 10 Nov. 2007 @ F.S. #7

In attendance: Robin T., Stan K., Jerrod F., Chris P., Dan D. (visitor)

Old Business:

- The OUARC/SCARS amateur radio demonstration booth at the National Weather Festival generated a good deal of public interest. Some passersby even got on the air and made contacts! About 35 contacts were logged for the special event station. QSL cards are in preparation. It was suggested that next year, a monitor be hooked up showing a continuously updated Google Earth flyover of contacts. (Jerrod F.)
- Pete (N5UWY) has offered to store our oversized equipment (antennas, masts, etc.) on his property in east Norman. The club will furnish some tarps and bricks to hold these items down. Stan, Robin, Pete, Chip, and David G. will coordinate the transport of these items.
- OUARC logged a total of about 4 hours on the air, and a dozen contacts, during the School Club Roundup contest. QSL cards are in preparation. (Jerrod F.)
- Robin T. informed Matt Biddle that Friday would be the best day for a mass weather radio programming effort. Matt will get back to the club with a proposed date.
- Robin T. reported that opening of an OUFCU checking account is still pending.

Committee reports.

- *Website committee:* No members present.
- *Skywarn/StormReady committee:* Nothing to report.
- *Repeater committee:* Jerrod F. and Chris P. reported that they obtained access to the roof of Physical Sciences via Physical Plant. They inspected the repeater, reset the controller, and reported that the repeater appears to be (mostly) in good working order in a very clean room. However, a segment of coaxial cable appeared damaged and may need to be replaced. Chris and Jerrod will get with Mike S. (N5MS) to see what other work needs to be done and whether the club can help.
- *Publicity committee:* Chris P. noted that, constitutionally speaking, Chip L. (as secretary) should be the head of this committee, but Chris has no intention of vacating the position.
- *Contesting committee:* Robin T. learned from Becky Watson that there will be a planned power outage at the Cross Center buildings on Sat., Nov. 17th from 6 a.m. – 6 p.m. so that some maintenance can be preformed. This date coincides with

ARRL November Phone Sweepstakes, but at this time, OUARC has no official plans to participate in this contest.

New Business

- David G. (via e-mail) requested food donations to be arranged by the club for the Cleveland County Christmas Store. Donations are to be brought to the Municipal Building at 201 W. Gray by c.o.b. Nov. 20th. Chris P. (as publicity chair) will see if the club can make some sort of organized effort in this regard.
- David G. (via e-mail) also requested budget items which he can request from the City of Norman in Jan. '08 for FY '09. Jerrod F. posited a few suggestions and will get with David G. to hash them out. Stan K. noted that the club must reciprocate with the City if this request goes through.
- Robin T. reported that UOSA has requested meetings with student organization officers in order to introduce them to the new Director of Student Organizations, Katherine Fox. Robin T. and Chris P. will try to arrange a time for this; other club officers may attend this meeting if available.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.