

OUARC Meeting Minutes

7 February 2008, 7:00 p.m.

Meeting held at Pepe Delgados, 752 Asp Ave., Norman

Reminders:

- Our next meeting will be 6:30 p.m. Thurs., 6 March, at the shack (Cross Center D), with dinner afterward.
- Next SCARS meeting will be 9:30 a.m., Sat., 9 Feb. 2008 @ F.S. #7
- Wal-Mart weather radio event: 9 a.m. – 3 p.m., Sat., 5 April 2008 and both east- and west-side locations. David G. reports that Wal-Mart has tentatively agreed to stock at least 500 radios per store.
- ARRL Field Day will be 28-29 June 2008.
- Ham Holiday will be 18-19 July 2008.
- Owing to ARRL's Club Commission Recruitment Program, OUARC members interested in joining ARRL can fill out this form: <http://www.arrl.org/FandES/field/club/forms/clubapp.pdf>, and turn it in to Robin T. or Somer E. along with a check for the full amount of ARRL dues (\$39 for one year) made out to OU Amateur Radio Club. OUARC will retain \$15 for each new membership and \$2 for each renewed membership, and forward the application and dues remainder on to ARRL.

Meeting Minutes:

In attendance: Robin T., Jerrod F., Chris P., and Zac F.

Old Business:

- Chris P. moved the antenna that was being stored at the EOC to Pete L.'s property in East Norman. Apparently, the antenna sustained some damage while at the EOC and will have to be tested before it is used again.
- According to Matt B., OU employees and/or OUPD officers must perform the weather radio programming, and as such, OUARC members are not eligible to perform this function. So, this task is off the table for now. (Robin T.)
- OUFUCU account opening still pending. (Robin T., Somer E., Jud A.)
- OUARC is now affiliated with the School of Meteorology, effective 11 January 2008. (Robin T.)
- The G5RV antenna at Cross Center is still down, and most of the trees around Cross Center are now marked for removal. It was decided to table the reinstallation of the G5RV for at least one month. (Robin T., Chris P.)

Committee reports:

- *Website committee:* No members present.
- *Skywarn/StormReady committee:* Nothing to report.
- *Repeater committee:* Nothing to report.
- *Publicity committee:* Nothing to report.
- *Contesting chairperson:* Nothing to report.

New Business

- Robin T. and Chris P. reported that the NWCARC / OUARC lunch meeting on Jan. 30th was productive. A possible space for an NWC radio equipment cabinet was identified, and cabinet prices obtained. Once a detailed proposal can be drawn up, it will be approved by both groups and presented to Dr. Snow. The group will meet again on Feb. 13th at 11:45 a.m. in the NWC cafeteria; any available OUARC members are welcome to attend.
- Chip L. has indicated he will not be available for our regular meeting time for the foreseeable future. Zac F. agreed to take meeting notes in his stead for the remainder of this semester.
- Our UOSA budget must be prepared and submitted on or before Feb. 21st. Club members suggested the following budget requests: coax cable (\$100), cable connectors (\$30), rope (\$30), and a club banner (\$150). Robin T. and Somer E. will attend the mandatory UOSA budget meeting on Feb. 13th, and then prepare and submit the budget.

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.