# **OUARC (W5TC) Meeting Minutes**

3 July 2008, 7:00 p.m. Meeting held at Furr's Buffet, Moore

### Reminders:

- Our next meeting will be 7:00 p.m. Thurs., 7 August 2008, location TBD.
- Next SCARS meeting will be 9:30 a.m., Sat., 12 July 2008 @ F.S. #7
- Next CORA meeting will be 1:00 p.m., Sat. 12 July 2008 @ Salvation Army.
- Ham Holiday is 18-19 July 2008 in Oklahoma City. We have a table.

## Meeting Minutes:

In attendance: Robin T., Somer E., Jerrod F., Erin F., Chad F., Chris P.

#### Old Business:

- Jerrod reported that approximately 823 contacts (CW, phone, and digital) were made at Field Day. Thanks to everyone in OUARC who came out and helped operate in Reaves under trying propagation and weather conditions! Thanks also to SCARS for allowing us to work this event with them.
- A table has been reserved for OUARC at Ham Holiday. Jerrod F. is in charge of the table. Club members are kindly asked to donate unwanted items (particularly electronics and computer parts, with the notable exception of CRT monitors) to sell contact Jerrod for drop-off or leave these items in the shack clearly labeled for sale (with prices). Half the sales price will go to replenish OUARC's coffers.
- Robin T. unveiled a new design for the OUARC logo (based on an idea from Chris P.) and invited comments. The design was discussed and approved by those members present. This logo can be used on banners, QSL cards, signs, letterhead, and Tshirts. It is in Adobe Illustrator (AI vectorized) format and can therefore be exported to almost any graphic file format at any size or resolution. A GIF version is attached to these minutes; contact Robin T. to obtain a copy in any other format.
- Robin T. reported that one Tech license manual, two General license manuals, and one Extra Class license manual have been ordered by Don G. of SCARS for placement in the NWC and Youngblood libraries at OU. It is hoped that easy access to these manuals will serve as a recruiting tool for the club(s). It was suggested by [someone?] that an additional set of manuals be purchased for the Engineering Library. That motion was tabled until additional funds can be procured.

• Robin T. reported that she is working with Evie at the UOSA office to order the cabinet and Buddipole allocated in our UOSA budget application (whose funds were to be released on July 1<sup>st</sup>). The hope is to have these items received and installed by the beginning of the fall semester. Keep your fingers crossed...

## Committee reports:

- Website committee: No members present. Zac F. is expected to have a working version of the new club web site ready for evaluation at the August meeting, and online by the end of August.
- Skywarn/StormReady committee: Nothing to report.
- *Repeater committee:* Nothing to report.
- Publicity committee: Howdy Week preparations continue; see below.
- Contesting chairperson: Our next big contest will be the School Club Roundup, 20-24 October 2008. It appears that the National Weather Festival may coincide with the end of that week. (NWF is usually the 3<sup>rd</sup> weekend in October.) If so, OUARC will try to work both events. We hope to have OUARC's equipment installed in the NWC by then; if NWCARC plans to have a special event station again this year, OUARC will assist.

### New Business

- Pete L. reported on the OUARC list serv that the Oklahoma Tax Commission now has a printable form for ordering Oklahoma amateur radio license plates. This form can be obtained from: http://www.tax.ok.gov/mvforms/742-B.pdf
- The plan for Howdy Week is the same as in previous years; i.e. setting up a booth on the oval on the date of the organization fair. If the club's new Buddipole has not arrived by then, we may ask Stan K. if we can borrow his. (Please?)
- Robin T. plans to design a new QSL card for the club (incorporating the new logo) and have it ready for the August meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.