

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

November 7, 2017

At the Ouachita Valley Public Library on McMillan

Club President Frank Adams, KK5CF, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. There were 16 present at the meeting. The membership is 46 as of this date.

Ruth Ragsdale, WM5LA, gave an updated treasurer report.

Frank Adams, KK5CF, Mark Ketchell, K5ER, and Mark Baxley, K5MSB, were the nominating committee for the club. Mark Baxley, K5MSB, presented the following names for 2018:

Jim Ragsdale, W5LA, President
Mark Ketchell, K5ER, Vice President
Ruth Ragsdale, WM5LA, Secretary/Treasurer

Shawn Smith, WA5VQP, made a motion to accept the nominees. Ben McFarlin, KG5TKE, seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Jim Ragsdale, W5LA, presented the opportunity for the club to buy a Yaesu FT-450D for \$575.00 from Mark Baxley, K5MSB. There was some discussion. Shawn Smith, WA5VQP, made a motion to accept the purchase. Ben McFarlin, KG5TKE, seconded. The vote was unanimous.

Frank Adams, KK5CF, announced we have already made the down payment on the West Monroe Convention Center for the Hamfest on April 21, 2018.

We had no testing tonight.

Michael Olinde is working on a design for a NELARC patch.

Jim Ragsdale, W5LA, reported that three people checked into the Elmer Net last Sunday evening.

Mark Ketchell, K5ER, reported the ARRL Sweepstakes Side Band Contest will be held on November 18, 2018. Scott Dickson, W5WZ, has invited anyone who wants to operate to come to his house. Please let Scott know if you are interested.

Duffy Frantom announced The Louisiana Delta Radio Club would sponsor an event at the Chennault Aviation and Military Museum on November 11, 2018 from 10:00 AM till 5:00 PM. Also, a Ham Cram on Technician License will be held on November 17, 2017, from 6:00 PM till 9:00 PM and continue on November 18, 2018, from 8:00 AM till 12:00 PM at the EOC. Joe Holland will be the instructor. Testing will be at 1:00 PM following the HAM Cram.

Jim Ragsdale, W5LA, showed a video on the K1N Navassa Island DXpedition.

Meeting was adjourned by Frank Adams, KK5CF, at 7:50 PM