

NORTHEAST LOUISIANA AMATEUR RADIO CLUB

January 2, 2018

At the Ouachita Valley Public Library on McMillan

Vice President Mark Ketchell K5ER called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. Past President Frank Adams KK5CF served as the Secretary/ Treasurer. Seven members were present. One member paid his dues.

No testing was done.

Mark K5ER has talked to Dave Norris K5UZ, Delta Division Director, regarding our 2018 Hamfest. We will be a sanctioned Hamfest and will get some ARRL gift certificates for door prizes. We will not get an ARRL speaker. They have our information for the QST Magazine. The Hamfest is scheduled for April 21, 2018, and will again be held at the West Monroe Convention Center. Hamfest Chairman will be Mark Baxley KSMSB.

We still need to name a Field Day Chairman. This event will be June 23 and 24, 2018.

Scott Dickson W5WZ mentioned several contests coming up this month (January). These are listed in the latest issue of QST Magazine.

Scott also talked about an upcoming DXpedition to Bouvet Island scheduled for late January or early February, 2018. It ranks #2 worldwide on the DXCC most wanted list. He made a motion for the board to vote on donating to this event. Due to the remoteness of this site, total costs are expected to range from 4 to 6.5 million dollars. Scott suggested a donation of \$100 to \$500. Daniel Hoover KF5IW seconded the motion of Scott W5WZ to bring this proposal before the board.

Mark K5ER alerted us to some meeting and rule changes happening in the ARRL hierarchy.

The program was a video, "Before Mars".

Meeting was adjourned by Mark K5ER at 7:30 PM.