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BHARC Meeting Minutes

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The Black Hills Amateur Radio Club was called to order by President Scott Rausch, WA0VKC at 7:35PM

Of those who attended, 26 were members, two were guests and one new member. Welcome!

Treasurer's and Secretary's reports were read and approved.

VE testing is coming up on January 15 in Hot Springs as well in Rapid City at the School of Mines, Feb 19 before the Auction.

An idea presented by Norb, KFOXO, was presented to the club about having a one day get-your-license-class to help gain new hams and potentially new club members in the area. There seems to be interest in pursuing this, Norb and Scott will talk more.

Bearing that in mind, Ben, KB9LFZ, brought up C.E.P (Community Education Project) that the ARRL is promoting. The purpose of this program is to not necessarily get law enforcement and other public safety individuals to get their ham licenses, but to increase awareness and understanding of what we amateurs radio operators can do for the community. Details to be worked out

Technical Committee: Filters have been ordered for the .94 and .76 receivers for the repeater at the clubhouse. The UHF auto patch is ready to come back to the club; a ride is getting arranged. Thanks to John, WB6GHA for diligently keeping the machines online.

Under new business, the technical committee has two new challenges - .94 is having some noise issues, and the transmitter is cutting over conversations. (these are probably ancient, but they are *going* to get fixed - ASAP!)

In ARES news, the Pennington County EC resigned after 20 years. The board members are looking over a few possibilities to fill the empty spot.

One the last things to cover was the BHARC Activities Chart, covering technical presentations and emergency preparedness goals. Scott is looking for individuals and groups to help fulfill the technical presentations. They do the club a lot of good.

Having no further business, we got to stand up and stretch our legs at 8:24PM

Diligently Submitted,
Benjamin KB9LFZ