

Black Hills Amateur Radio Club, Inc

General Meeting Minutes February 20th, 2009.

Meeting called to order by President Gary Peterson at 7:44 PM MDT.

Eighteen (18), members and guests were present.

The January minutes were read and approved.  
Treasurer's report were read and approved.

We may not be getting money from Carl for the judgment against the bad check last year.

This year only good checks will be accepted for payment at the auction.

Old Business:

The DTV drop dead date has been moved to June 12<sup>th</sup>. Discussion followed.

Gary talked that the noise on six meters could be intermod between digital channel 2 and analog channel 3. The technical committee will investigate and any action will be taken after the DTV drop dead date.

Church group is doing concessions tomorrow

We disconnected our phone at club house.

SCI is shutting down, if you hear anything about a sale make sure you send out an e-mail to Frank Shaw.

There was talk of a possible move of the auction next year to Bob's Church.

Twenty six people will be at the annual dinner.

New Business:

Charles donated the \$35 to pay for the domain registration of our website.

We received two QSL cards to reply to.

The NWS sent us a letter with information about localize chat rooms. An e-mail will be sent with the details.

Bob Hendricksen built a portable repeater for club use. He reviewed it's use and some details of it's specifications. He has it in an easy-to carry case.

A SDSMT student, KC0YLD, gave a short presentation about their club's Echolink node 147.5MHz, they are working on a cheat sheet but it uses standard DTMF tones right now. They have received strong interest and the node has had plenty of use so far.

Harry Martens discussed local APRS nodes.. they are in Rapid City, Summerset, and Phillip; if we could get a hope to Phillip we would have the I-90 corridor covered. APRS is found on 144.39MHz. They now make a small all-in-one unit that you can find in this month's QST.

Help at the auction tomorrow is appreciated.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:38 MDT.

Respectfully Submitted,

Charles Douvier, Secretary