

## Sky Valley Amateur Radio Club May 15, 2021 Virtual Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 0900 hours by David KB7GFL via ZOOM.

Introductions: 13 members attended on ZOOM Previous months minutes were read and approved

**Treasurers Report:** \$ 1401.00. Bruce W7BCW reported that the annual PO box had been paid.

**Webmaster Report:** Kathy K7THY reported on and displayed the revised net control form that now accepts entry for the 6 and 1.25 meter nets.

**Repeater Status/Net Report:** Bruce W7BCW reported that soon the 440, 6 meter, and 1.25 meter frequencies will be linked on the repeater. He also reported that there was the possibility of interference with a 1.25 repeater in the Everett area should the power output of that repeater be increased. The upcoming net controllers are as follows:

5/25 OPS3 David KB7GFL / SVARC Bruce W7BCW

6/1 OPS3 & SVARC Kathy K7THY

6/8 OPS3 Garth KA7BVS? / SVARC Bruce W7BCW

6/15 OPS3 David KB7GFL / SVARC Tom K8TOM

6/22 OPS3 & SVARC John AC7LC?

The 2 meter/440 net is averaging 10-11 contacts, 6 meter, 5-6 with excellent propagation, and 1.25 2-3 contacts.

**Old Business:** David KB7GFL reported that this year's Field Day will be at the facility at Tye Lake with all of the resources the club enjoyed in 2019: Van, generator, cabana, etc. The ARRL has amended the rules for this year's Field Day to allow for work from the site as well as from a base. David gave an elaborate report of this year's point system and all are urged to visit the ARRL website to review the Field Day page. Kathy K7THY reminded all that a link to the ARRL is on the SVARC website. Erik K7QOG, also suggested that hand-out brochures be made available for visitors. David KB7GFL called for a show of hands for Field Day volunteers. The response was strong. Tom K8TOM suggested that the club invite the Scouts organization to Field Day.

**New Business:** Bruce W7BCW reported that it is time to think about a work party at the repeater site to perform general cleanup, install new antenna components, and install and equip the new racks in the container. A site visit was suggested and Bruce W7BCW will announce this.

**Good of the Order:** Identifying and purchasing 1.25 transceivers was discussed. Bill KE7WTR displayed his new Baofeng UV-5X3 and Erik K7QOG his Radioddity GS-5B. Both were described as affordable and reliable.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00.