

November 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012, general meeting Snohomish County Hams Club

Frank Remington started the meeting at 8 AM. We went around the room and introduced ourselves.

The treasurers' report is on the website. Pam Snook was not at of the meeting.

VE report: we had three testers with each pass that one technician one general and one extra. They were all well prepared. \$45 was collected and sent to the AARL. Dave Cornell mentioned Loren Hole was in the top five in QST for VE sessions.

Education report: Jim Ludden is working to setup our club education program. Scott Honaker and DEM will be holding a tech/general class in January. We will be working with them to send anyone who is ready to theirs. They will help refer to help fill our first class which will be closer to March. We will be working with other clubs to promote better availability of classes within the County throughout the year.

Tech committee issues with the controller. ACOM has not delivered new firmware which is supposed to fix the problem. This turns out to be a widespread problem with other clubs in other repeater system. Jon does not have a timeframe for figuring out the link receiver. The announcement has been changed for the Christmas party and no club Meeting or VE testing in December.

Emergency communications has a class coming up soon.

DX report: sunspots are becoming better. Several islands are working DX-expedition November and December. 10 meters is wide open for technicians.

Announcements: we Need 2013 field day coordinator.

Dave Cornell is starting a antenna project. It is a J-pole 2 meter antenna. The project is to solder it together with a torch. Dave passed a sign-up sheet around the room.

A budget committee is being formed for 2013.

Christmas party: there is no meeting in December. The Christmas party is December 15 at 6 o'clock at the Bakerview Apartments. There will be a program from Jim about the Southern Sudan. He is the first amateur in that country. There is a sign-up sheet in the back for what to bring for the potluck. But this is not required just helpful to the food committee. The club will provide meat and utensils.

We qualify for providing tax-deductible donations under 501C3. We have all cleared all hurdles and all paperwork has been submitted.

Program ideas at needed for the Next year. Ideas needed for repeater, ILRP, echo link, etc.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 AM and Scott Honaker started his presentation.

Submitted, Curt Green, Secretary

Approved, Rob Salsgiver, President