GMARC MEETING MINUTES 16-DEC-08

I. Call to Order by Vice-President, Kurt at 7:10 PM.

II. Visitors + Comments

There were 4 Visitors present - Tom KD8GZE, Ed KC8SBV, Bill WB8OAF, Rick [No Call]

Tom KD8GZE noted that he has an available UPS for the new repeater location. It needs batteries, but he will arrange to obtain them.

Kurt WU8V acknowledged Bobby N8CY for bringing Pizza, Chicken Wings, + Dessert, and Rich KC8HMJ for bringing Pop + Ice to the meeting.

III. Minutes

Minutes of the 18-Nov-08 meeting are available at the meeting and on the GMARC Web Site, and printed copies [+ financial summary] were available to those present.

Motion to approve the November Minutes by Mike N5WCS and seconded by Eddie N8RUE. Motion passed.

IV. Treasurer's Report

Scott W1BIC, our Treasurer-elect, dialed-in from his trip back from Lexington, KY to give the following Treasurer's Report. The current bank balance in our checking account is \$3,538.09 as of 09-Dec-08. The Antenna Fund has \$2,403.45, and operating funds are \$1,124.54.

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report by Mike N5WCS and seconded by Al N8ARO. Motion passed.

V. Membership Report by Bobby N8CY

We have 38 members in good standing, who have paid their 2008 dues, and 9 members who have paid their 2009 dues. Members are reminded to pay their 2009 dues. The following members paid their 2009 dues at this meeting:

Wes KD8DHS Kurt WU8V Ben WB9FJO

VI. Old Business

There was a brief discussion about Digital Kits. The price is \$31 (delivered) in single quantity, and \$25 in quantities greater than (5). Dave WD8IFL suggested that we purchase a couple of kits for the parts suitcase for anyone who does not get-in on the initial order.

Motion by Mike N5WCS to purchase (2) digital kits for the parts suitcase and seconded by Dave W8RIT. Motion passed.

VII. New Business

Motion by Dave WD8IFL to grant Dina N8YJI a free membership for 2009 in acknowledgment of her preparing "treats" for our meetings and seconded by Eddie N8RUE. Motion passed.

There was a discussion led by Kurt WU8V about the desirability of having one of our members put on a class (program at the meeting) on a particular subject of his expertise. There was considerable enthusiasm for this approach, and it was suggested that we take up Receiver Theory. Dave WD8IFL suggested that the class might have more meaning if it were accompanied by the "building of a kit" as part of the class. It was suggested that we begin with Crystal Radios and progress to more sophisticated (amplified and selective) receivers in a later class.

VIII. Election for Offices & Directors - 2009 Year

The following members were elected for Officers and./or Directors at large for 2009:

Office	Name
President	Bob KZ8N
Vice President	Kurt WU8V
Secretary	Bobby N8CY
Treasurer	Scott W1BIC
Directors-at-Large	Wes KD8DHS
•	Mike N5WCS
	Dave W8RIT

It was noted that Ingo AC8AW (our Past President) will not be able to serve during 2009, and therefore we elected **three (3)** Directors-at-Large as provided by the By-Laws.

IX. Presentation to Outgoing President - Ingo AC8AW

There was a presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation to outgoing President Ingo AC8AW acknowledging **two great years** for the Club under his leadership, and he received a *resounding applause* from the group present.

Ingo noted that his family is "all packed up" and living in a motel pending their imminent departure back to Germany.

X. New Members & Attendance

16 Members attended, and there were 4 Visitors.

Total Collections to be delivered to the Treasurer:

Coffee Fund \$ 0.00 Membership Dues 60.00

Total -- \$ 60.00

Upcoming Events for GMARC:

Hazel Park 43rd Annual Swap 18-Jan-09 8:00 AM (Hazel Park H.S. – 24300 Hughes @ 9 Mile Rd)

Next Membership Meeting 20-Jan-09 7:00 PM

XI. Meeting Adjourned at 8:06 PM.

Motion by Kurt WU8V, seconded by Bobby N8CY.

Respectfully submitted,

Bobby Corr N8CY, Secretary – GMARC N8CY@gmarc.org