

MAARC

Board of Directors' Meeting

August 17, 2008

Geoff Shearer called the meeting to order at about 12:30 at the Davidsonville site.

Attendance:

Geoff Shearer, Steve Hansman, Steve McAllister, Willie Sessoms, Brian Belanger, Warren Sprague, Domi Sanchez, Charlie Scarborough, Paul Farmer, Eric Stenberg, Ed Lyon and Bill Goodwin.

Old Business

FallFest

- Gate to open early - Brian and Steve Hansman to get the key and have the grounds open by 8:30 AM.
- Steve McAllister will coordinate food order with the deli. (E-mail chain since the meeting indicates that this is a decision in flux.)
- Auction to include: - About 50 table radios from Bill's collection-possibly some consoles. List to be provided to Eric. - RHS will provide a large number of items. (A New Jersey man offered RHS enough stuff to fill a tractor-trailer.)
- Auction Rules
- 15% commission for non-members' items.
- Get the word out NOT to bring lots of junk chasses.
- Possibility of \$5 minimum discussed but not agreed upon.
- \$1.50 minimum charge for "No Sale" items for NEXT YEAR.
- Advertizing - RHS will cover 50% of the cost
- Anne Arundel Amateur Radio Club will participate.

New Business

RadioActivity 09

- Geoff completed the sales agreement. The event will be held on Thursday evening (registration) June 11, the 12th and 13th.
- The cutoff for special room pricing is May 12, but Geoff is negotiating to get the date changed to May 19. Room charge will be \$109; banquet room charge is \$1800 and the Auction rooms cost is \$550. The banquets cost per plate is yet to be determined, but last years cost was \$27.95.

- Theme discussion: There was general agreement that MAARC's 25th Anniversary needs recognition and it will be reflected in the OEC with a "Silver" color category. Silver Marshall was discussed under the topic of radios under the "Sparks" corporate name.
- Discussion about providing pins, pens, badges, and/or other favors to registrants to mark the anniversary.
- Providing shirts was again mentioned.
- There was a discussion about a special issue of Radio Age covering the club's history. There was an alternate idea of recreating the first issue.
- OEC: Board members are to tell Ed of their ideas for the categories, e.g., silver radios as produced by the factory (Chrome included), pair of radios from the same manufacturer spaced 25 years apart, perhaps with the same model name. There is along e-mail chain that further fleshed out the categories after the meeting. Final decision to be made at the September meeting.)
- Up to \$150 tip to hotel staff approved for RadioActivity 08 and 09. The president is to dispense the tip based on his perception of their level of service.
- Speakers: Possibly Ted Hannah and Joe Koester would speak about the club's history.
- Willie will ask Jim Wilson if he would handle the banquet display. Bill offered to pay for a banner if it met Jim's concept for the display.

New Meeting Site – Members decided to table the idea of using the Grange Hall in New Market, Maryland. Ed will cancel the reservation made there.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at about 1:30 PM; respectfully submitted by Bill Goodwin.