FORT WAYNE RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES 15 FEBRUARY 2013

The February meeting of the Fort Wayne Radio Club was held at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church on 15 February 2013 with club president Steve Nardin, W9SAN, serving as host. There were about 25 guests present.

The assembled group addressed the flag with the Pledge of Allegiance, and then everyone identified themselves and their calls.

Treasurer Bob Streeter provided the following report regarding club finances as of 31 January, 2013:

Income \$2,654.50, Expenses \$52.75, Cash on hand \$154.99, Checking balance \$7,599.94, Savings balance \$2,042.33.

The Treasurer also noted that the club realized \$402.00 from the January auction, a combination of the proceeds from items donated to the club and sold at the auction, plus the 10% of non-club owned sales accrued to the club. Bob reported that these results were the best ever realized from the auction and expressed his thanks to all that participated, and especially to Woody Woodbury, KC9CGN and to Raytheon, who donated test equipment for the auction, and to auctioneers Chad Beech, W9GGA and Paul Prestia, KA3OPZ who deftly manipulated the audience into spending all kinds of money for the plethora of goodies offered.

And finally, Bob reported that we had received official recognition from ICOM that we had fulfilled all requirements of the D-STAR Rebate Program and thus were no longer potentially liable to ICOM for the \$3,000.00 cost of D-STAR hardware and software suite they provided us under the rebate program to install D-STAR capability in Allen County and Northeast Indiana.

Al Burke reported that minutes from the November, 2012 meeting can be found in the Ham News and on the club web page. There are no minutes from the December or January meeting since these meetings consisted of the Christmas Banquet and Auction, and there were no formal business meetings for these events.

Al Burke commented on the February Foxhunt. Six hunters participated. The winners, based upon mileage and distance traveled turned out to be Bob Dean, KC9UHU and Dave Spence, KB9VTK, so they will serve as the fox for the March hunt. Details in the form of the Foxhunt Chronicles can be found on the club web page and in the March Ham News.

Steve Nardin reported that Jack Shutt, W9GT will provide a program on vintage (Ham) radios at the March meeting.

Following the formal meeting and a coffee break, Steve Nardin,W9SAN, Jim Pliett, K9OMA, Charles Ward, KC9MUT and Al Burke, WB9SSE provided a Foxhunting technology presentation describing the latest widgets and techniques being employed in the ever changing art of foxhunting.

Respectfully submitted,

Al Burke, WB9SSE Secretary, FWRC