



Minutes for 1-13-2018

Meeting opened at 1316

A Sign in sheet was passed out for roll call.

A Moment of silence was held in memory of Marilyn Rodgers AC5TQ, Silent Key.

Minutes: Minutes from the last meeting were emailed.

Finance Report: Our account has \$105.00.

Riolink Report: John BeardonnKC5WBG stated that we will be loosing the La Feria tower due to it being removed. The McAllen tower is in jeopardy also. We will need to start looking for other tower space. Our D-Star repeater is down due to a bad router. He will advise us of what it will take to repair it.

Volunteer Examiner Team Report: Dave Waldrige WA5MMY stated, exams are still being held monthly with new hams obtaining their license and some existing hams have been upgrading. There is a new Extra License exam pool.

Rene Lopez,Jr. K5KYL advised that he gets the contact information of each new ham and sends them a welcome email in behalf of this club, with information about the club, events, members and frequencies

ARES District Coordinator Report: Ed Warwas W5OE stated that we are still active with quarterly field days to test our systems and if you wish to join go the the <http://www.arrlstx.org> to register. Our next field day will be held in Weslaco on Feb. 17th. He also advised that on Mondays at 1930 hrs there is the statewide ARES check in on HF, 3873. Get with him for more information.

Old Business:

Annual dues for RGV ARC membership for 2018 are due. Please pay your \$25 to the President or Treasurer.

New Business: Eddie Olivarez KF5UEZ stated that 2 Hams from the Cameron County area have established a DMR repeater system in the Brownsville area and are preparing to add one to the McAllen area. Those of you interested in DMR will soon be able to join in.

He also advised that the 2108 South Texas All Hazard Conference is March 28th & 29th and that this club has a free booth space. John Reed KG5EZZ, Padini Santiago KG5LTY and Rene Lopez,Jr. KF5KYL will be manning it and anybody else is welcome to help or stop by to visit.

Meeting adjourned at 1412 hrs.

Eddie Olivarez KF5UEZ, President

Rene Lopez,Jr. KF5KYL Secretary