

OSCAR Meeting – May 13, 2023

Meeting Minutes

The next OSCAR meeting is **Saturday June 10, 2023**, the second Saturday of the month. The meeting will be held at **9:00am at The Kitchen** restaurant located at 329 Cedar Ave N.

May 13, 2023, Attendees:

Bill	WA0FMG
Bob	KE0QWW
Bonnie	N0BKJ
Dale	WB0PKG
Dennis	KF0HOI
Jeff D	N0GZK
Jerry	KD0KRY
Jon	N0JSA
Katy	KE0MQX
Ken	N0HMD
Kevin S	K0GNH
Kris	KCOREO
Matt	KA0PQW
Mike	N0MDC
Tom	N0UW
Scott	K0VO

The meeting was called to order at 9:03am by President WB0PKG.

Secretary's Report was summarized by WA0FMG via the March 11th minutes. Motion to approve by N0MDC, seconded by K0GNH. Motion carried.

Treasurers Report per KE0MQX. Summarized the April statement from the bank. Motion to approve by N0MDC, seconded by K0GNH. Motion carried.

Sunday night NET - Join in - try it! The preamble is on the website.

Repeater Report: Updated by N0UW and WB0PKG. Continued maintenance. April 29th Tom & Dale a boatload including but not limited to: added a ground sire about 10 – 12 feet up, created clamps to attach hard line to conduit, there was no water in the hard line conduit so the fix they did previously worked well, could visually see some broken zip ties about 90 feet up, put nano meter on hardline, VNA input 1.3 and output 1.3, met with OPU about re-securing hardline, good discussion, getting cots on a lift, good work, always more to look at and diagnose. **A BIG thanks to all the members who keep the repeater and Echolink going!**

CERT: N0BKJ report. Some members went down to Winona to help search for the missing young mom.

Upcoming meeting as scheduled. Check the CERT Facebook page for news.

<http://www.steelecountyemergency.com/cert>

RACES & ARES: No report. Check the OSCAR website for more information.

Skywarn Report: No report, all quiet. www.steelecountyskywarn.org

Business:

- **Field Day: June 24th and 25th.** NOMDC agreed to head up the festivities. Friday evening set-up, McKinley School (same location as the last few years) On-air hours are 1:00pm Saturday through 1:00pm Sunday
- Using KOHNY for the Field Day Club Call Sign
- Event permit from the City applied for
- **Software 6.6.7 loaded on your PC**
- EOC Trailer reservation in the works
- Porta-Potti scheduled
- City Council & County Commissioners invited
- NEED about 6 picnic table
- NEED 3 – 4 trash cans; Mike will get recycle bags
- NEED dining canopies
- NEED canopy or tent or screen house for the GOTA Station (get on the air)
- NEED radio, PC, antenna, power supply, table, chairs for the GOTA Station
- Using Tom's call. NOUW for the GOTA Station call sign
- NEED 2 – 3 5-gallon cans of gas for generator
- NEED coolers, ice, pop, water
- FOOD – Looking for a person or two to take charge of meals: Saturday lunch and supper; Sunday breakfast
- Kris, KCOREO is working on Wi-Fi with Dale backing him up
- NEED a safety officer
- NEED a social media person
- June 7th at 10am NOMDC will be on the local cable show Straight Talk to promote Field day. You are welcome to join him.

FOR ALL OF THE FIELD DAY ITEMS, PLEASE CONTACT MIKE TO LET HIM KNOW WHAT YOU ARE DOING, BRINGING, HELPING WITH, SO HE CAN MAKE NOTES. DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE PLEASE. THANKS!

A motion was made by KA0PQW and seconded by NOMDC to authorize KCOREO to purchase a mini-windows PC for field day server use. Not to exceed the amount of \$200. Motion approved.

Motion to adjourn by KF0HOI, seconded by KE0MQX. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.

Respectfully submitted by WA0FMG. Roundtable discussion followed. The site is continually being updated.

Check often for the latest information. www.oscarmn.org

OSCAR email is: oscarhamradio@gmail.com

NOTE: Kris – KCOREO will be bringing the Wi-Fi set up for Field Day to the Club meeting on Saturday June 10th. If you are going to use your laptop at Field Day, PLEASE bring your laptop to the Club meeting so it can be synced in. It will save time and aggravation at Field day.

**You need to have the software from NSFJP – Version 6.6.7 – loaded on your PC.
NSFJP.com is the website to purchase the software.**

New Licensees: GET ON THE AIR – Have Fun!

Peter	Tech	KFOLXL
Sammuel	General	KFOLVT
Tammy	Tech	KFOLVN
Melanie	Tech	KFOLWM
Wayne	Tech	KFOLVU
Kevin	Tech	KOGNH

MS-150: Saturday, June 10th and Sunday, June 11th
https://nmss.galaxydigital.com/need/index?need_id=769458&need_init_id=8101

MS Ride Across Minnesota: July 24-28