Mo-Kan Regional Council of Amateur Radio Organizations, Inc.

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Meeting Minutes Fourth Quarter Meeting 10:30 AM CDT, Saturday, October 26, 2024 Raytown Amateur Radio Club 2024 Hamfest 4341 Blue Ridge Blvd, Kansas City, MO 64133

- 1. Call to Order Randy Schulze, W0ICQ described who we are to the wider audience.
- 2. Welcome to the 2024 Raytown Amateur Radio Club 2024 Hamfest!
- 3. Roll Call of Member Organizations with Representatives
 - a. SPARK Sedalia Amateur Radio Klub,
 - b. Raytown Amateur Radio Club,
 - c. Santa Fe Trail Amateur Radio Club,
 - d. Lees Summit / Greenwood Amateur Radio Club,
 - e. Warrensburg Area Amateur Radio Club
 - f. Ron Cowen, ARRL Kansas Section Manager,
 - g. Twin Lakes Amateur Radio Club,
 - h. Johnson County Kansas Radio Amateurs
 - i. Mine Creek Amateur Radio Club,
 - j. Platte County Amateur Radio Club,
 - k. South Side Amateur Radio Club,
 - 1. Independence FM Amateur Radio Club,
 - m. Larrys List
 - n. Associated Radio
- 4. Secretary's Report (Charles Van Way, Absent due to schedule conflict)
 - a. Minutes from the July 20, 2024 Meeting
 - b. Any New Membership Applications to the Council
 - c. Status of ARRL Foundation Grant Application
 - d. Move and seconded to accept notes
- 5. Treasurer's Report (Jerry Chamberlain)
 - a. Regular Report accepted

- b. Approve Expenses none
- c. Update regarding our 501(c)(3) Status
 - i. Working on application

6. Regular Committee Reports

- a. Activities Committee Keith Kaiser, Chair
 - i. Nothing to report
- b. Recognition Committee Kristl Thompson, Chair
 - i. Nothing to report
- c. Issues Committee, Bill Gery, Chair
 - i. Nothing to report

7. Regular Business:

a. 2025 ARRL Division Convention: Bret 10/11, 2025

- i. Latest Status of the Project.
 - 1. Rented Missouri State Fair Grounds
- ii. What will the Member Organization do to assist SPARK
- iii. Emphasis on convention, presentations, hamfest.
- iv. Want to showcase our knowledge base,
- v. want to focus on youth with Missouri S&T –
- vi. interest in doing Ensor auction here?

b. Presentation at the Amelia Earhart Hanger Museum, Atchison, KS

- i. It was an Outstanding Success!
 - 1. See the story in the latest ARRL Midwest Division Newsletter

c. KCMesh Project and Mo-Kan Support.

- i. Report on the status of the KCMesh Project by Bill Gery.
- ii. Jerry Chamberlain reported dealing with supernodes, working through some of the challenges,
- iii. Adding St. Johns Hospital in Leavenworth and Providence Hospital. Garmin and JOCO Courthouse. Probable add ons, S&T.

d. Mo-Kan Recruiting Efforts: (Randy Schulze)

- i. On Going
- e. Ongoing Project Status:
 - i. Ham 403 Training Events
 - 1. Nothing Scheduled

f. Mo-Kan Elmer's Table

- i. SPARKfest, October 12. We had two who came to us and asked if we could help
- ii. Raytown ARC Hamfest, October 26 we didn't have any inquiries but several stopped by.

g. New from the Ararat

- i. Per WA0NQA Larry Gonnello, the Ararat Hambash will no longer be held.
- **ii.** Ararat is offering "first dibs" to a Mo-Kan Member Organization to pick up the name and date of the Hambash.
- iii. Interested organizations should contact Larry directly.

h. The Mo-Kan Council has an FCC Club Call sign: KF0RNH

- i. Discussion on the selection of a Vanity Call Sign
 - 1. One contender is: WM0KAN People supported we try for this vanity call
- ii. The New, Official Call Sign is: **K0MKR**, effective November 19, 2024

Old Business:

8. "Proud Mo-Kan Member Icon on your websites!

a. For Placement on Your Organizations Website:



b. Participants so far include: Santa Fe Trail ARC, Schulman Auctions, Warrensburg Area ARC, and Hams in Space. *How about your organization's website?*

9. Any New Business from the Floor?

a. Special Event Station for World Cup Soccer talk to Charlie.

10. Next Annual / 1st Quarter Meeting and Elections:

i. 1:00 PM CST, January 18, 2025, Raytown, Missouri

11. Adjourn