

Minutes of the March 14, 2017 BCRA meeting.

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 by Keith KE8CPN.

In attendance were Keith Almi, Randy McClellan, Bill Lahti, Joe Dowd, Rich Brooks, Brian Ruddy, Mike Malloy, Robbie Coffey, M. John Taisto, and Jack Swift.

Secretary's report was accepted as distributed by email.

The treasurer reported a \$677.58 balance.

The Baraga 440 repeater functions well.

The repeater for the Herman site is still at Fred Anderson's being tuned up and programmed for the ham band.

The class leading to the Technician license being offered at the college is still secluded for the evenings of March 21st through the 24th at 7:00 to 9:00.

Efforts continue to contact Ojibwa College officials to explore ways the college can do more for ham radio and ways ham radio can do more for the college.

The application for 501.c3 status was sent in and was received.

The floor was again opened for nominations for next year's BCRA officers. No new names were added from last month so the list stands at: Keith: President; Randy: Vice President; Joe: Treasurer; and Mary: Secretary. With no new nominations, the nominations were closed and a motion was made and supported to elect the slate as posted. The motion passed. (Congratulations: Keith, Randy, Joe and Mary.)

The meeting closed with a discussion about a US Forest Service tower north of Kenton by the Beaver River. It is thought a 440 repeater on this tower would have good coverage to Baraga and Marquette. (A good site for linking.) John Anderson is the FS man to talk to.

Adjournment: 7:35.

The next meeting will be 7pm April 11th at the Ojibwa College.

Submitted by Richard Brooks KB8FCX, Secretary