



PATOKA VALLEY AMATEUR RADIO CLUB MEETING MINUTES  
October 17, 2023 – 6:30pm EDT  
FOE – Huntingburg, IN

- The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by president Mike Vogler.
- Mike Maffenbeier offered a prayer and the pledge of allegiance was recited.
- Attendance – 16 licensed members, 2 guests. (sign-in sheet attached)

### OFFICER REPORTS

- President
  - Mike welcomed everyone, especially our 2 guests. He re-iterated our mission - “To recruit, foster, educate, and mentor amateur radio.”
- Secretary/Treasurer
  - The September 2023 meeting minutes were read. There was one addition detailing any further Fritz item proceeds going to the club treasury.
  - Treasurer's report – The 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter financial report was presented and is attached. As I almost always do, I forgot to mention there is \$50 in our cash box in addition to what was presented.
  - Motion to accept the minutes and the treasurer's report by M. Maffenbeier was seconded by Lee Ferrell. Motion passed without opposition.

### MEETING PRESENTATION

Gary Fritz gave a presentation on the communicating with the ISS and other satellites. The presentation is available on our website.

### OLD BUSINESS

- Stephen Goins reported VE testing setup with Laurel is about complete. Stephen will get with the VE team to finalize testing schedule and location.
- Mike Vogler reported no new information available regarding participation in STEM activities at this time.
- Gary updated the group regarding the RFI problem at Mark's QTH. The AC manufacturer has supplied a grounding solution which seems to have taken care of the problem. The group was informed of a different RFI problem at Calvin's QTH and Gary volunteered to take a look at this as well once work at Mark's is complete.

## NEW BUSINESS

- Mike Vogler reported the Christmas dinner will be paid for by the club at FOE Huntingburg. Estimated cost is less than \$200.
- Members discussed purchasing/assembling a low end HF station setup for field day. Cost would be around \$1000. More to come.
- Mike Vogler reported the David Edwards turned in a membership application tonight. Dave (AC9WU) is an Amateur Extra and looks very much like Jerry Hill. Pay attention when you talk with either. We skipped a motion and second, but voted Dave into membership without opposition. No dues are owed since it is past September.
- Mike Vogler opened the floor for nominations for PVARC 2024 officers. John Butler nominated the entire current set of officers. Ron Hickman seconded this nomination. All four accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations. Voting will take place at the November meeting.
  - Mike Vogler – president
  - Ron Hickman – vice president
  - Calvin Mitcham – secretary/treasurer
  - Gary Fritz – director of presentations
- Mike Vogler reported that he was informed just tonight that beginning in January 2024, FOE Huntingburg will charge \$50 per month for our meeting room access. Discussion ensued, and the general consensus was that we should move. Our officers will meet with Jasper library people about meeting there and report back at the November meeting.

## QRM

- October birthdays include Craig Vogler and PVARC. M. Vogler brought cupcakes to celebrate.
- October deposit - \$58, 50/50

## DONATIONS

\$58 was collected for the 50/50 prize. John Butler was the winner and donated the winnings to the club treasury. A second draw (members displaying PCARC stickers on their vehicle) for a tactical carrying holster for an HT donated by Mike Vogler was won by Mike Maffenbeier.

## ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 7:45 PM by John Butler, seconded by Mark Hunefeld. Motion passed without opposition.

Patoka Valley Amateur Radio Club  
 Quarterly Financial Report  
 July – September 2023

balance June 30, 2023 \$1305.17

July

income

dues	\$70.00
50/50	\$43.00

expenditures

field day food	\$101.82
website domain name	\$46.34

August

income

dues	\$20.00
50/50	\$55.00

September

income

50/50	\$36.00
Fritz donation	\$55.00

balance September 30, 2023 \$1436.01



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Meeting Sign-in Sheet – Date: 10-17-23

Name	Call	Member	ARRL Member
CAWIN MITCHAM	KEBICE	✓	✓
DAVE EDWARDS	AC9WU	✓	✓
Alan Brown	KG9PN	✓	
MIKE HEDINGER	KO9GYN	✓	✓
LEE FERRELL	N8LF	✓	✓
Stephen Goins	KD9UMZ	✓	✓
MARK NUVEFIELD	KC9NFI	✓	✓
Gary Fritz	WD9LJB	✓	✓
Mike Matfenberer	N9MZF	✓	✓
Mick Kammaw	KD9RPS	✓	✓
John Butler	K4PSE	✓	✓
RON HICKMAN	KD9KNL3	✓	✓
MIKE GOODPASTER	K9MLG	✓	
Mike Vogler	KA9GDW	✓	✓
Linus MANN	N9NAU	✓	✓
Jody Denning	KC9YIM	✓	
Patrick Ferguson	—		
CRAIG VOGLER	KD9HNC	✓	✓

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