

The Jan. meeting of the T.A.R.C. was called to order by Pres. Charlie Kays. All officers and members gave their names and callsigns for introduction. There were 36 members were present. Sec. Freeman Price read minutes of last meeting. They were approved and seconded. Treasurer report was given by Carrie Price showing a total of \$1,191.18 in the club account. Bill Moore, Vice Pres., reported that the Novice class sessions have been quite successful, and they are graduating people regularly. They will start a new class in March. Charlie called for a Status report from Fritz Freeman concerning the efforts on revision and update of the club constitution and bylaws. Fritz reports that it should be ready by Feb. meeting.

Call by Charlie for Old business - none heard. / New business - Fritz read a letter from N5FIE, David Peters who is in P-29 land, and is looking for HF contacts this month. Charlie mentioned the need to establish a committee for this years Green Country Hamfest. Ron Gamble, N5WX, stated that there would be a meeting at Guy Shipley's home, WB5MX0. Ron says the Fairground Pavillion will be the location for the hamfest, and it has recently been repainted. There is approx. \$2300 in the hamfest budget. Last year they sent out approx. 1,600 flyers. Charlie appealed to the group that all the area clubs should truly unite, and get behind ~~their~~ leaders, eliminating the competition, and show ourselves as a Ham Community. Vernon Skinner added that we were <sup>once</sup> known as the "Tulsa Area Amateur Clubs". It was emphasized again that All clubs are definately welcome! Comments and discussion revealed that last year we learned that we were unable to lock the Pavillion, and that we paid \$800 per day in rent. Ernie Buck called for a show of hands of those able to attend the hamfest meeting.

Pres. Charlie Kays brought for consideration the proposal that the annual club dues be increased. The last increase was in 1983. Reasons for such actions being that our radio equipment resides now at the Boys Club, thus our insurance is very important because not only is the membership liable, but moreso, the officers. Insurance coverage is \$250 per year. There are other expenses also; Postage for mailings runs \$380 per year. Charlie said that even with the income from the HamFest, the club would likely be broke in the future at the present rate. He proposed to raise the dues from \$12 to \$15 straight across the board. Ernie Buck made motion for the \$15 across the board dues - seconded. The new amount will be placed in the bylaws - when they're rewritten. Charlie suggested that the bylaws not actually state the exact fee. Ron Gamble spoke about his 2 to 10 meter link. It has a touchtone controller which can be activated by the "1" button and the "\*" button brings it down. He will have it totally operational with the 91 repeater in about a week. You do not have to be a BAARC member to use it. Merlin, WB5OSM, announced that he will give an "on the air" code practice over the 88 repeater, of 5 minutes each speed, beginning at 5 w.p.m. This will be just before the ARES RACES Net. Ernie Buck presented a collection of magazines, catalogs, CQ, OST, World Radio, etc to the club for its use. Motion made for intermission - seconded. All then returned to clubroom to view a film brought by Bill Moore, titled - "Marconi - Sparks that shocked the world". Afterward motion for adjournment - seconded, meeting adjourned.