Minutes of the TARA Business Meeting 13 May 2003

Members in attendance:

Cheryl Runkle, K9HER Steve Parker, WR9A Bruce Stewart, N9GKE Curtis Sherwin, WB9SWD Tom Kuespert, K9KF Steve Van Frank, W9TN Dave Dull, WB9BRX Tim Gardner, N9LF Alex Younts, KC9CYK Jack Freeman, KF9CT John Coy, KC9BPE Jay Welsh, KC9AFE Clyde Mauck, K9JWI

The meeting was called to order by at 19:37 by N9GKE.

The minutes of the April 2003 meeting were read and accepted on a motion by KC9AFE and second by WB9BRX.

The Treasurers report shows a balance of \$8363. Income of \$33 and expenses of \$247 (equipment insurance, AMSAT renewal, Secretary of State fees). WR9A moved to accept the report and KF9CT seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

N9LF reported that Senate Bill 109 has passed the Indiana legislature, and the governor has signed the bill. The new law takes effect on July 1, 2003. The new law incorporates the federal PRB-1 exemption into state law, effectively blocking local governments from imposing undue restrictions on towers for Amateur use (with exceptions for historical districts). The original bill called for a limit of 75 feet (meaning towers 75 feet or less in height could not be locally regulated), but this was removed in the final bill.

WB9BRX printed 1000 Hamfest flyers for distribution at Dayton. If anyone will be attending other hamfests this summer, contact Dave and he will give you a stack of flyers to distribute.

New Business

KC9BPE announced that the Red Cross was seeking advice on how help prevent unauthorized access to the tower (i.e., keep neighborhood kids from climbing the tower). Several ideas were offered, and John said he would take the information back to the Board.

N9GKE reminded everyone that the Field Day auction is scheduled for May 28. N9LF will contact the ARC about using the garage.

Field Day

WB9SWD is seeking Field Day volunteers. Contact Curtis if you can help. There was no other new information.

K9LYA was not present to claim the drawing for \$24. Meeting adjourned at 20:14.

Field Day Auction May 28 – 6:30PM

The Field Day Auction is scheduled for May 28. The proceeds from the auction fund the food and drink at Field Day, so if you want to eat, please participate in the auction!

Please note the start time is 18:30, one hour earlier than the usual meeting time.

Please bring donation items and your checkbook. You may also make a monetary donation if desired, but your hamfest, radio & computer related items are what make the auction. Here is your chance to clean out that closet/basement/garage and make some points with the XYL while simultaneously supporting the club.