

Meeting Minutes

19:00 Tuesday, August 5, 1997
Energy Center 723

- John KC5VEI called the meeting to order at 19:10
- Reading of Minutes
We have no minutes from the last meeting because the secretary was getting married and no one else remembers what happened.
- Field Day
Pictures were passed around and the results discussed. We had 451 QSOs in 44 states. See the [Field Day 97](#) web page for more information.
- September VHF QSO Party
Will take place on the 13th and 14th of September. Last year we placed 4th in the region and learned what that an "Angry Bee" sound during a thunderstorm is bad.
- Howdy Week
We got a lot of good exposure last year. It would be good if we could use our new pushup polls to set up working HF this year. More information on timing and setup options will be gathered.
- Club Room
We are stalled on getting our old CEC room back. Avenues are being explored to get a closet on EC 15 or maybe space in the EC 15 machine room. The CEC penthouse is also a possibility. It is agreed that we should grab whatever we can.
- Kit Building
We should have a session where folks can get together and work on projects. This would be very good for folks with little experience in electronic construction. There are lots of kits that we could build:
 - W1AW Receiver \$20-\$30
 - Handi-Finder
 - 20 m Radio
 - 6 m Beacon
 - Custom Smart Chargers for NiCd HTs \$10-\$20
 - 2 m brick amp for HTsWe should definitely build the beacon as there is none in this area and it would be good exposure for the club. Most people at the meeting wanted to build at least one of these kits. It would be best, but not necessary, if everyone were working on the same thing at the same time to help out the new folks. Exact plans will be discussed in the mailing list.
- Technical Presentations
We should get EE and METR pros to come in and give talks. We could also have talks on Fox Hunting, Search and Rescue, Packet, Feedline Soldering, etc. But we need a good one for the September meeting.
- Field Day expenses were partially resolved.
- JP KB5PSP offered congratulations to Seth KC5OPQ and Cindy KC5RRR on their marriage.
- Mark spoke of Jack Bickham KU5B, a long time Norman ham who recently passed away.
- There will be a meeting to help clean up the Red Cross ham shack on August 15th, contact Don Byrer KJ5KB for details.
- The Red Cross will be holding another shelter exercise soon and still needs communications volunteers. Contact Don Byrer KJ5KB if you can help.
- Oklahoma OneNet has a 400 foot tower in Tulsa and links from OKC to there. Anybody wanna set up a repeater link? Mark and others are looking into it.
- The meeting adjourned at 20:22