

Meeting Minutes

19:00 Tuesday, October 7, 1997
Energy Center 723

- Call to Order / Introduction
Once again we broke our attendance record!
- Presentation
Karen and Robert (KD5CAE) Clinton spoke about canine search and rescue and the Central Oklahoma Search And Rescue (COSAR) organization. Dog/owner teams go through extensive training to learn how to find missing or trapped people in a wide variety of circumstances. Radio operators are needed to help with communications during field searches. The "Flanker" position requires radio training, CPR certification, and a 2.5 day SARtech training course. Contact Robert Clinton (KD5CAE) or the club if you are interested in helping.
- Report on the September VHF QSO Party
We made over 3700 contacts, about 2900 more than last year! Contest results will be available in a few weeks. Participants who want to order ARRL participation pins (\$5) should contact John KC5VEI *immediately*.
- Simulated Emergency Test
The SET will be held *this weekend* at the Red Cross. Many bands and modes will be used to practice relaying messages across and through the state. This is a great opportunity to operate on a wide variety of equipment to which you might not normally have access, and you get to practice for emergency communications!
Contact Don KJ5KB for more information.
- Scout Jamboree On The Air
Every year amateur radio clubs open their mikes to scouts and let them talk to each other across the country. This year it will coincide with the homecoming football game. If there is local scout interest, we will probably set up our radios at the T-Shirt booth.
- Red Cross Shelter Exercise
The Norman Red Cross will practice setting up an emergency shelter on Saturday November 22nd from 09:00 to about 13:00. Amateur radio operators are needed to provide and practice RC communications support. If you are interested, contact Don Byrer KJ5KB.
- 1998 UOSA Budget
It looks like we will get about \$400 for next year, \$240 for Office and General Expenses and \$160 for Programs, Events, and Activities. Thanks go to John KC5VEI and Jared KB5PSP who helped convince the budget committee that we are worthy of a funding increase.
- 1997 UOSA Budget
Once the last few reimbursement checks from field day go through, we will have spent all of our 1997 UOSA money.
- T-Shirt Sales
The next home game is the homecoming game on October 18th starting at 11:30. Setup for T-Shirt sales will start at 07:30. As noted above, the scout Jamoree On The Air may coincide with this game. Homecoming brings out a lot of alumni who may be former club members. We will have a guest book to keep track of them all.
- New Tent
John bought a new pavillion tent, one that will actually stand up in a breeze! It's a fully self supporting 10' x 10' structure that cost about \$70.
- 10 / 10 Day
This Friday there will be gobs of 10m traffic as hams participate in this annual celebration of the 10 meter band. There is excellant propagation right now so there will be great DX opportunities. Equipment will be available in the Red Cross radio room if you participate in...
- Red Cross Radio Room Cleanup
The RC radio room needs work before the SET. Don will be there Wednesday evening from 16:10 to about 20:00 and Friday from 16:00 to 20:00. If you are interested in helping (and/or want to get on the RC 10 meter rig for 10/10 day) contact Don KJ5KB.
- RS 12 Change
Radio Sputnik 12, an amateur radio satelite, now uses a 2 meter SSB uplink and a 10 meter SSB downlink allowing anyone with a Tech license, a 2 meter SSB transmitter, and a 10m receiver to work this repeater in

- space. Talk to John KC5VEI for more information.
- Purchase of New Class Tapes
Because of the recent modification to the technician class license requirements, our old class tapes have become obsolete. John proposed buying new tapes for \$99 to bring us up to date. The motion passes by consent.
- QSL Cards
After much rambling discussion, a committee was formed to do something about getting some for the club. Contact Jared KB5PSP if you have design ideas.
- November Sweepstakes and the Collegiate Challenge
Yet another ARRL contact contest. This one takes place across two weekends. The CW portion will be the first weekend in November and the phone portion will be the third weekend. Each portion will run from Saturday afternoon through Sunday. The object is to work the most sections within the US and Canada. Within this is a sub-contest called the Collegiate Challenge in which various college clubs compete amongst themselves. Jud W5JA has volunteered his station for this event. Contact John KC5VEI about if you are interested in participating.
- Removal of the Current Treasurer
Nobody has heard from our current treasurer since he was elected last spring. A 2/3rds majority of the voting members present was required for his removal. The motion passed 12 to 0.
- Nominations / Volunteers for Treasurer
Brian McDonald KD5BFH volunteered to be Treasurer. He was elected by consent.
- Enid Ham Fest
On November 1st from 08:00 to 16:00 there will be a Ham Fest in Enid with just a \$2 admission fee and a \$1 table fee. John and others will be going. John will try to sell some of the many vacuum tubes that were recently donated to the club by the EE department.
- Tornado Forecast Special Event Station
The National Weather Service has decided to hold a special event station from March 23rd through 25th as part of their celebration of the anniversary of the first tornado forecast. See the [NSSL web page](#) for details. If you would like to be an operator and see what its like on the other side of the pile up, contact Peter N5UWY.
- Yearbook Picture
The club picture will be taken sometime between October 13th and October 24th. Since no preferences for a date or time were expressed, the secretary will schedule the photo with the yearbook people and announce the time on the mailing list.
- Conclusion
- Eat, Drink, and Be Verbose

Attendees:

Seth B. Noble	KC5OPQ	CS	Secretary
Jared Bostic	KB5PSP	METR	Vice-President
Abram Hudson	KM5LL	AME	
Keith Brewster	N01AW	CAPS	
Kate King	KD5BFI	GEO	
Brian McDonald	KD5BFH	ECN	Treasurer Elect
Karen Clinton		COSAR	
Robert Clinton	KD5CAE	COSAR	
Michael Johnson		DCTS	
Bill Tanksley	KC5TMI	GEO	
Yohei Shimazaki	N8YQX/JM4KHD	EE	
Brett Ramirez		METR	
Frank Kent	KC5ZHO	Phys Plant	
Stan Kilmer	KB5RVT	DCTS	
Don Byrer	KJ5KB	NWS	
John Patrick	KC5VEI	EE	President
Peter Laws	N5UWY	NSSL/CIMMS	

and making a late radio contact...

Mark Kleine	N5HZR	who knows?
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