

OUARC meeting minutes
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Reminders:

1. Next on-air meeting: March 15th.
2. Next club meeting: April 5th.
3. OKC Memorial Marathon needs ham volunteers. Sign up at www.okcmarathon.com or email Tom Webb (tmwebb@cox.net).
4. Go to the FEMA website and complete ICS training (100/200 and 700/800): virtualcampus.fema.gov. NOTE: Some members reported that using Firefox or Safari to complete the training caused problems because there would be no record that the training had been completed. Internet Explorer 6 may be required to use the website.
5. Send individual bragging rights relevant to emergency management (certifications, EMT, ICS, etc.) to Chip (clegett@ou.edu) or Matt (ou.edu@ou.edu).

Meeting was held at Van's Pig Stand. In attendance: Robin T., Jeff S., Laura K., Matthew M., James M., Gerard J., Chris P., Chip L., Andrea D., Stan K., Zac F., Jason B.

Old business:

- Thanks to those who helped at storm spotter training!
- UOSA budget interview has been completed.

Committee reports:

- StormReady/Skywarn
 - There is a possibility of getting space in SEC. They need more numbers and more specifics such as furniture to be provided, square footage, number of internet jacks, and layouts. Be prepared to submit layouts for 1468 and 15th floor rooms. Request 15th floor, roof access, and request more space than needed.
 - The proverbial "they" did a 180° on the campus radio checks. Club has been advised to back off and let David work on it.
 - Local spotting: Chip*, Matt, Chris, Laura, Robin*, Jeff*. * = individual is employed in a way that may prevent them from staying in Norman to spot.
 - **Matt will send a map and directions to suggested spotting locations.**
 - Radio communication: eventually seek approval to use 800 system or old VHF repeater, but will plan to take part in the Skywarn net for now or use a simplex chain (worst case).
- Website committee
 - If we want PHP, we'll need to go outside of OU IT for hosting. Jeff will pick a hosting service (Total Choice Hosting, Dream Host).
 - **Jeff will email Jud to figure out a way to pay \$5/month to the hosting service.**
 - Laura tried unsuccessfully to pass the buck, citing thesis woes.
 - Both Laura and Jeff have site designs up and running.
- Repeater committee
 - 440 MHz is running.
 - Matt and Zac are working with K9KK to try to set up a software controlled

repeater.

New business

- On-air meeting may consist of a test net, with people heading to spots around Norman to see how far we can go and still hit the repeater. Robin and Chip will chat about the joys of a directed net.
- Citing the need for better club publicity, the publicity committee is formed. Matt tentatively accepts the nomination to head it.
- UOSA was invited to the meeting but no representative came.
- Robin will design a club logo.
- Robin will speak to Jud about the listserv.
- Gerard and Robin will start from scratch to discuss a severe weather graphic with the campus newspaper folks.