EIDXA Minutes of the Jan 11, 2013 meeting

Craig, KØCF called the meeting order at 7:30 PM at Kirkwood CC in Iowa Hall 31 Hams answered the CQ call.

Introductions were made all around.

Treasurer's report: W3ACO indicated a balance of \$1638.73 in our checking account. Recent expenditures included Iowa repeater association dues and web hosting annual fee.

Web site report: Jason, KDØMND reports the web pages are still being updated; the roster section has not been included. For those interested in the old format please visit <u>www.eidxa.org/oldsite</u>.

There were no new members inducted into the club.

There was a discussion of the DX selection criteria. KØCF put up an Excel spreadsheet originally authored by Rick, NØYY. Additional factors were included for review. Added factors were a sliding score for position on the DX list top 100 and time interval between QRV operations. Representative scores were shown for HKØNA, NH8S, PTØS and ZL9HR. All scored high indicating that even though previously, we empirically selected what DXpeditions to contribute to; we did a good job considering all the factors. Some members wanted to score upcoming DXpeditions. For those interested, please send me an e-mail and I will send a copy of the Excel spreadsheet.

Rick, NØYY, discussed contest scores and that the club should send in scores collectively as a method to build composite scoring. Society of Midwest Contesters. For more information please visitwww.w9smc.com.

Some members indicated a desire to develop a want list naming the top five or 10 DX entities. Please indicate your selection and send to W3ACO or KØCF.

Formal meeting was adjourned at 8:05 PM.

Crag Thompson, K9CT provided an excellent presentation on the recent NH8S expedition to Swains Island. He gave us an inside look on the many problems and the incredible support provided by the staff on Swains Island.

Richard Haendel, W3ACO Secretary/Treasurer