WOOD COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS INC November 5, 1991

Meeting called to order by Ken Harris, WA8LLM/Unit 251, and Duane Jones, N8LDM/UNIT 260. There were ?? members present

Minutes from the October 1st meeting were read and approved

The Treasure's report was read and approved.

OLD BUSINESS

The Wood County EOC was manned on October 19th for the Annual ARRL Simulated Emergency Test (SET). There was very little activity so the group in attendance held an informal Packet Radio class. Those on stand-by at the EOC were: Ivan Unit 263, Bill Unit 283, Aaron Unit 276, Alan Unit 274 and Ken Unit 251

There was a reminder about the Parkersburg Amateur Radio Klub Novice classes starting January 14th

There was a reminder about the W5YI Amateur Radio testing November 17th at the Dutch Ridge Auction House

Wood County Emergency Services has received their frequency coordination for their new Public Safety Repeater. The paper work has been forwarded to the FCC

Duane Unit 260 announced that he has selected an assistant RACES officer and an alternate RACES officer. The assistant is Aaron N8NVQ Unit 276. The alternate is Alan N8POB Unit 274

Duane said that John WD8LKT, who is the ARRL District Emergency Coordinator, has asked him to be the Wood County ARRL Emergency Coordinator, he has accepted

There was a discussion about the new Packet Radio network to cover the Mid Ohio Valley that has been started. Even though Ken Unit 251 doesn't like the use of acronyms, the new Digital Amateur Radio Emergency Network is now called DAREN.

NEW BUSINESS

There was a lengthy discussion about the tanker fire on the Interstate November 3rd. The EOC was activated. Duane Unit 260 and Alan Unit 274 went to the disaster scene. At the EOC were Ken Unit 251, Judy Unit 255, Bill Unit 254, Aaron Unit 276, Leo Unit 259, and Fred Unit 262. On stand-by were Karen Unit 261 and Phil Unit 275

Ken Unit 251 told about the caller ID unit that has been added to the Wood County Fire Reporting phone, 485-7711. It may be quite some time before the county goes E-911, this will help locate possible fire calls

Ken said there will be a regional Amateur Radio meeting on January 26, 1992. The meeting will be held at the Emergency Center in Fairmont

West Virginia. Anyone interested contact either Ken or Duane Unit 260

It was suggested to have a Christmas dinner. The group decided to have a dinner. Aaron Unit 276 is heading up the arrangements. It was agreed to hold the dinner at the EOC on December 17th

Leo Unit 259 said he needed help with the line-up of the Christmas parade. The parade will be held December 7th

Duane talked about the one of year evaluation time. He said most of the RACES member have surpassed the points requirement for level one membership.

THOSE IN ATTENDANCE