

**Polk County Amateur  
Radio Association  
1732 Forest Circle  
Balsam Lake, WI 54810**

**February 11, 2012 Meeting Minutes**

**Members & Guests Attending:**

**Rick W9WS, Chris KC9NVV, Mark W9GWG, Mark KC9GHQ  
Diana KC9SLN, Tami KC9UVM, Ed W9ABA, Bruce N9BLU,  
Dan KB9OBF, Josh AG9K, Bill K9WEN, Bill WY9EMarv KC9IRT  
Tom KC9UWA, Dave Tuohy, Greg N9CHA, Mike KK9MC**

**Open – Rick W9WS, President**

**Treasurer's Report:**

**Rick W9WS, presented the check book balance in Carlos' absence.**

**Old Business:**

**ARES/RACES UPDATE – Josh AG9K**

**3 new laptops were donated to the club. Josh will connect TNCs to the laptops for portable packet stations for club member use, Field Day, etc. Motion to pay shipping cost for the laptops of \$34 was made (passed.)**

**Repeater Noise Issue – Greg N9CHA**

**The noise issue has been identified and temporarily resolved by Western Electric, Greg N9CHA and Mark W9GWG. The fix may not last when the summer electric demand returns.**

**New Business:**

**Chris KC9NVV, talked about the Regional Volunteer Registration System. The system integrates ham radio into the emergency response system and should be up and running by summer. Any license class ham can volunteer. This system is separate from AREA/RACES.**

**Polk-Burnett Grant**

**Reminded everyone that the Polk-Burnett annual grant would be coming up soon.**

**Close – Rick W9WS**