

2025-02-18 Net Minutes

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20:00

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20:25

Check-ins (25)

- Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)
- Jeff McDowell (KI5CES)
- Avery McIntosh (N7ALM)
- Don Ling (WB5CK0)
- Brad Snyder (W5BLS)
- Robert Grigsby (KB5RAG)
- Patrick Zapalac (KJ5ATR)
- Bill Rose (K5WTR)
- Brian Gaskamp (KA5BKG)
- Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)
- Troyce Wilson (KC5CBI)
- Ken Wilson (KE5DFR)
- David Bailey (K5DKB)
- Curtis Pool (KD5HEY)
- Rick Pfeil (W4RDP)
- Harold Turbyfill (KG5SDG)
- Ron Hambric (N5SBN)
- Mike Mertes (KZ5M)
- Pierre Catala (WA1UAT)
- Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)
- Phil Gates (N5ZKF)
- Mike Wisby (KA5HIA)
- John Walpole (K5ZY)
- Kevin Walton (N4RMF)
- Jonathan Graham (KD5GG)

Officer Reports

President

David Bailey (K5DKB)

- Thanks to all who came out to the meeting
 - Fascinating presentation from Geochron
- It's going to be cold tonight and even colder tomorrow night
 - Check up on loved ones and neighbors
 - Bring living things inside
 - No frozen precipitation in the forecast, but it has been raining
 - Remaining wet spots might freeze

Vice-President

Tom Johnson (KI5ZPG)

- Ditto what K5DKB said: good meeting, and stay warm!

Secretary

Matthew Barry (KG5LYE)

- Minutes will be sent out after the net.
- Winter Field Day Points Tally
 - 131 voice QSOs
 - Multiplier: 8 (45% of objectives)
 - Tentative total score: 1048
 - Awaiting final results from Winter Field Day Association

Treasurer

Lorna Flansburg (KI5FIZ)

- 66 members
- Bank balance: \$9,260.37
- Ham License Exam recap
 - 3 Examinees: 2 new Technicians, 1 passed Technician and General
 - Next exam will be 2025-03-15 11:00 at American Legion Post 159
 - Be sure to bring your FRN!

Announcements / Comments

Question #212 for conversation: *Are you planning to attend any upcoming hamfests/hamventions? ([Greater Houston](#), [Dayton](#), [HamCation](#), [Belton HamExpo](#), etc.)*

(If interested in submitting a weekly question, email n5zkf@arrl.net)

Ron Hambric (N5SBN)

- Thanks to all who signed the thank-you card for the American Red Cross
 - I delivered the card and \$100 donation today, and they were very thankful
- [CEOC visit](#) this Friday, 2025-02-21 09:00
 - We'll meet on the sidewalk and head in
 - If you're late call on [KD5DLW repeater](#) or (979) 821-1012

Phil Gates (N5ZKF)

- My Hamfest plans:
 - Haven't been to Dayton or Hamcation (Florida)
 - Planning to go to Greater Houston hamfests
 - They usually have other activities and events, e.g., rocketry, balloons, kit builds
 - Also enjoy the Belton Hamfest's simplicity
 - Always see people I know
 - Might go to Rocket City Hamfest in Alabama someday

Closing Remarks

- People on Echolink are not being to does not appear to be getting piped through the repeater