Good news!

In the January meeting the club membership unanimously approved expenditures by the board of up to \$3000 for the acquisition of a trailer for storage of club equipment.

The acquisition occurred today.

After extensive searching, Bruce (K3BAT) and Rick (K7RCR) concluded that what we need would cost new \$3000-4000 or more. At that point, Rick offered to sell the camper top he personally constructed to the club for \$500. It's about 9 feet long, 7 feet wide, and is tall enough to stand in.

It needs a 10 foot trailer to haul it. A new 10 foot trailer would cost \$1300 plus without accessories. Bruce found the exact same trailer on Craigslist for \$1000 (two years old) with over \$500 in accessories included that we would need to buy anyway. Because of the fleeting nature of this kind of opportunity, we needed to act quickly if we wanted this deal. (Other opportunities went so quickly that the assets were sold to others before we even had a chance to react).

Bruce emailed a motion to the board to authorize acquisition of both. The board met "electronically," as permitted by the bylaws, met the quorum requirements, and the voting board members unanimously passed the resolution to authorize the purchases.

I want to thank Bruce and Rick for all of their diligence in finding the right solution for the club and all of the work they did behind the scenes. Second, I want to thank Gary Carroll for his responsiveness in getting checks to the right places in minimum time after the decision was made. Finally, thanks to the entire board for responding to the need for a quick consideration of this issue on behalf of the rest of the club.

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