



ESCONDIDO AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY  
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An ARRL Affiliated Club



## **EARS Board Meeting Minutes**

**October 17, 2013**

### **I. Call to Order**

Jeff Murdock, AE6GM President  
John Musselman, N6EP, Immediate Past President  
Matt Tucker, N6EAJ, Vice President  
Mike Hightower, KF6SJ, Secretary  
Teri Bloom, W6TRB, Treasurer  
Jo Ashley, KB6NMK, Officer at Large  
John McNelly, AF6UA, Emergency Services Coordinator  
Dirk Reschly, N6SUN Officer at Large

The meeting was called to order at 7:07 PM by Jeff AE6GM.

### **II. Approval of Minutes**

Motion to approve September's board meeting minutes by John AF6UA and seconded John N6EP by was passed with Jo KB6NMK abstaining.

### **III. Officer & Committee Chairman Reports**

#### **a. President's Report - Jeff AE6GM**

Jeff met Lieutenants James and Hilda Parks of the Escondido Salvation Army.

The RB CERT group requested that they move their Tuesday night net on the EARS 2 meter repeater to Wednesday evenings at 8PM. Jo KB6NMK made a motion to approve the move, seconded by John AF6UA, and it passed unanimously.

Doan Hohmeyer K6DRH requested use of the EARS 2 meter repeater on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> from 11AM to 3PM for MS-150 Bike Tour. John AF6UA made a motion to approve the use, seconded by Teri W6TRB, and it passed unanimously.

Jeff discussed the need of having a club calendar available on-line that would contain nets, special events, parades, etc. and the calendar would be managed by officers. Mike KF6SJ will discuss various options with Steve Venner W6TAN.

Jeff also discussed having a list of bills to be paid for the calendar year. Treasurer Teri W6TRB will provide a list of annual bills and their due dates, plus the approved budget after the next budget is approved.

b. Program Director's Report – Matt Tucker N6EAJ

I would like to thank Jeff Murdock AE6GM for his presentation about his experience using a personal locator beacon.

Upcoming presentations:

Ron Rosson N6XT will be presenting on November 14th about a DX expedition to American Samoa that he participated in.

I contacted Jim Zapata KK6FFK and relayed some of the questions that came up in the last board meeting about getting a ham class setup for boy scouts. He agreed that splitting the class up into at least two sessions was a good idea. He said he will get back to me about the location (do they have a location closer to the troop or should we ask the Salvation Army to use their facility?).

c. Treasurer's Report – Teri W6TRB

Below is the Profit & Loss for Jan - Oct 17, 2013

	<u>Jan 1 - Oct 17, 13</u>
<b>Income</b>	
<b>AUCTION INCOME</b>	1,829.00
<b>Donation</b>	74.00
<b>Dues 13</b>	1,012.50
<b>Dues 14</b>	30.00
<b>Interest Income</b>	15.39
<b>Opportunity Drawings</b>	<u>431.00</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	3,391.89
<b>Expense</b>	
<b>220 Repeater Crown-Castle</b>	0.00
<b>AUCTION PAYOFF</b>	1,547.50
<b>Bank Charge</b>	20.34
<b>Equipment Maintenance</b>	62.59

Field Day Expenses	372.67
Opportunity Drawing Expense	307.94
Picnic Food	151.34
PO BOX	124.00
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>2,586.38</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>805.51</b>

I have two invoices to submit for discussion/payment at the board meeting. Also we need to transfer some funds back into the checking account from the savings account.

The Liability insurance has been paid, the equipment insurance is coming due mid-November. We need to review the list of equipment to see if there are any additions/subtractions...last year's bill was \$110.

I have a couple of ideas for prizes for the upcoming Christmas party... Teri will email a list of possible gifts to the board members.

John N6EP made a motion to reimburse Teri \$200 for her personal payment of the liability insurance. It was seconded by Jo KB6NMK and it passed unanimously.

John AF6UA made a motion to reimburse Tom N6TFL \$19.99 for virus protection. It was seconded by Matt N6EAJ and it passed unanimously.

Jo KB6NMK made a motion to transfer \$700 from the club savings account back into the checking account. It was seconded by Matt N6EAJ and it passed unanimously.

A discussion and review was held on the items covered by the club equipment insurance. Several items were removed and some values may be changed. The list will be updated and reviewed at the next board meeting in November.

d. Technical Committee Report

Jeff AE6GM reported that the 220 MHz repeater is still off the air and still without a site. His search continues.

e. Emergency Services Coordinator Report – John AF6UA

== Christmas Parade ==

Did:

- Parade application submitted

- Tried to get in contact with Natalie, no response. (Natalie is the Jaycee "incident commander" for the parade).
- 11 hams signed up so far
- Talked with Konrad for advice

Going to do:

- Start calling members to strong-arm into helping at parade

== In General ==

- Saved all my notes/docs to SkyDrive\Documents:  
     ChristmasParade\2013  
     FieldDay\2013\  
     GrapeDay\2012

- Successfully intimidated all challengers from campaigning for 2014 EMCOMM position. Hooyah!

f. Membership Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

This past month, there were 3 new members joining...  
 Donald Keele, KK6DYZ  
 Ronald Smitter, KK6GHF  
 John Rotondi, WA2OOB  
 Welcome aboard!

Therefore, the current EARS membership as of the 10th of October, 2013 is:

- ☐ Life: 55
- ☐ Paid: 69
- ☐ Total: 124

g. Newsletter Editor's Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

The cut-off date for articles for November's ALL EARS is Thursday, 7th November.

h. SANDARC Report

No report submitted. The club still needs a representative to SANDARC.

i. Webmaster's Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

No report submitted.

#### **IV. Old Business**

The EARS pamphlet was discussed. John N6EP will email his markup out for comments.

The club is receiving radio equipment as an estate donation. We need to organize an antenna party to remove the equipment.

#### **V. New Business**

The 2014 EARS Officers nominations were presented at the October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 general club meeting by the nominating committee. The committee consists of John Musselman N6EP, Jo Ashley KB6NMK, and Teri Bloom W6TRB. The nominations are:

President	Michael Hightower KF6SJ
Vice-President	Matt Tucker N6EAJ
Treasurer	Teri Bloom W6TRB
Secretary	John Musselman N6EP
Emergency Services Coordinator	John McNelly AF6UA
Officer-at-Large	Jo Ashley KB6NMK
Officer-at-Large	Dirk Reschly N6SUN
Officer-at-Large	Vivian Wentworth-Kitson W6NWF
Officer-at-Large	Jeff Murdock AE6GM
Officer-at-Large	Zac Petersen KJ6MLT

#### **VI. Adjournment**

Jeff AE6GM adjourned the meeting at 8:16 PM.

#### **VII. Next Meeting**

The next board meeting will be November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013.