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EARS Board Meeting Minutes

June 19th, 2014

Board Members Present:

Michael Hightower – President – KF6SJ
John Musselman – Secretary – N6EP
Teri Bloom – Treasurer – W6TRB
John McNelly - Emergency Services Coordinator – AF6UA
Jo Ashley – OAL – KB6NMK
Bud Hennessy – OAL – AE6BH
Dirk Reschly – OAL – N6SUN

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:18 p.m. by Club President, Mike KF6SJ
2. John AF6UA moved to accept the minutes from the May Board Meeting. Jo KB6NMK seconded. The minutes were approved unanimously.

OFFICER & COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

- a. President's Report (Mike KF6SJ):
 - Mike reported on the first general meeting at the new location.
 - We need to remove the last items from the Salvation Army. John AF6UA will meet Teri W6TRB at the Salvation Army this Saturday and move documents to Teri's house for sorting.
- b. Vice-President's Report (Matt N6EAJ):

(By email)

I will be on vacation during the June board meeting.

New meeting place:

Our first general meeting at the San Diego Foundation meeting room seemed to be a success. Thanks to Teri for W6TRB for being the greeter/door person and letting people in. We may want to rotate people as the greeter unless Teri likes that job. I heard a few comments that the room was nice and that it was an improvement over the Salvation Army as a meeting place.

Projector:

Mike and I tried to get the projector that is at the meeting room to work. It did turn on although we were unable to get it to display Mike's laptop. With more time, we might be able to get the projector to work with Mike's computer. The San Diego Foundation told Mike that their projector was stolen and they don't seem to know the projector is up there. We used my home theater projector to show the field day video. I would prefer not to bring it every time (it is our

main "TV" at home, the setup process for home takes a bit of time, it is fairly heavy, it would cost a bit to replace it if damaged).

I would like to ask the board to vote on buying a business type projector (bright, light, and small) that could belong to EARS. Projectors have come a long way in picture quality, brightness, and price. Here are a few projectors that should do the trick. All are brighter than my projector since they are intended for office use. They have less resolution than mine and are 4:3 instead of 16:9, but Powerpoints are normally in the 4:3 ratio and don't need to be HD.

InFocus IN112A Projector \$289.00

<http://www.projectorpeople.com/InFocus-IN112A/Projector/29581>

BenQ MS504 \$339.00

<http://www.projectorpeople.com/BenQ-MS521/Projector/29427>

InFocus IN114A Projector \$349.00 (steps up from 800x600 to 1024x768 resolution)

<http://www.projectorpeople.com/InFocus-IN114A/Projector/29601>

If approved (perhaps vote on a maximum "out the door" price that would be the total with shipping/tax), I can shop around for the best price, buy it, and submit for reimbursement through Teri.

Next meeting:

I do not have anyone lined up for our July meeting. I have a few irons in the fire, but no commitments. If anyone has any suggestions or would mind trying to set up something, that would be appreciated. I will concentrate on this after vacation and field day.

Salvation Army:

I gave my three keys (outside doors, AV room, radio room) to Mike KF6SJ.

- Motion by Jo KB6NMK, second by Bud AE6BH to approve up to \$400 for the purchase of a projector for the club. Approved unanimously.

c. Treasurer's Report (Teri W6TRB):

(By email)

Account balances:

Account balances as of 5/31/14:

Savings: \$3,470.40

CD: \$2,011.43

Ckg: \$3,620.26

ckg expenses since 5/31/14:

DVD Purchase from CQ: -\$71.50. Christmas party expense

Radio purchase from Impulse Electronics: -\$293.72 Opportunity drawing expense

Deposits: \$273.21 memberships and sale of CW key

Balance of Ckg acct 6-19-14: \$3,295.54

Attached are Profit & Loss statements from 5/31/14 and 6/19/14.

Upcoming Budget expenses:

June: Field Day \$350.

July: none

August: Picnic \$250 & PO Box \$130.

d. Technical Committee Report:

- No report.

e. Emergency services coordinator's report (John AF6UA):

- There was some discussion of Field Day and last minute issues.

f. Membership Report (Steve W6TAN):

(By email)

The current membership (as of June 19th) stands at: 136, 57 of which are life members. We have 91 ARRL members (67%) - so ARRL affiliation is good. Could someone contact Sheldon Howard, W6DM - (760) 745-0202 to find out his ARRL status as it's missing from our database.

- Howard W6DM is an ARRL member per John AF6UA.

g. Newsletter Report:

(By email)

Many thanks to Mike, Matt, John & Teri for their contributions for June's All EARS.

Articles for July's All EARS are due by Thursday, 3rd July - ready for publication on Sunday the 6th. I would really appreciate a Field Day summary report by John, AF6UA including pictures, as well as any photos from June's meeting if possible.

The following EARS member have bad e-mail addresses in the EARS database - could someone (Teri?) please contact them to find out their correct e-mail address:

John Couture, KG6YY - kg6yy@arrl.org

Ted Jacobson, KK6CSO - tedjacobson@earthlink.net

Ron Miller, K7OPA - rmiller2@san.rr.com.

- KG6YY should be KG6YYG, same for his email.
- Ron Miller has moved.

h. SANDARC Report (Mike KF6SJ):

- Mike attended the SANDARC meeting on May 29th. The purpose of the meeting was to pass the budget for the year. The budget was passed and the meeting ended in less than 20 minutes.
- Next SANDARC meeting is on July 31st.
- The ARRL Southwest Division Convention is on the second weekend in September.

i. Webmaster Report:

(By email)

The EARS website is currently up-to-date:

Added Field Day information (inc. flyer & pictures).

Updated opportunity drawing details (thanks Teri!).

Updated VE session date.

Need July's program details when available.

E-mailed Field Day flyer to current EARS members.

EARS events (meeting info etc.) needs new meeting location updating.

Paid Godaddy renewal for domain name for 5 years: \$61.35 I would appreciate some sort of reimbursement - Bank details (for deposit) available on request!

Domain name expires 4th June, 2019

Hosting expires 4th August 2015

- Motion by John AF6UA, second by Teri W6TRB, to approve reimbursement of the Godaddy expense to Steve. Passed unanimously.

3. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Bud AE6BH is still looking into how to arrange a scholarship. More next month

4. NEW BUSINESS

None.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Next Board meeting is Thursday, July 17th, 2014.

Respectfully submitted by John Mussleman, N6EP, Secretary.