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## EARS Board Meeting Minutes

May 22nd, 2014

### Board Members Present:

Michael Hightower – President – KF6SJ  
Matt Tucker – Vice President – N6EAJ  
John Musselman – Secretary – N6EP  
Teri Bloom – Treasurer – W6TRB  
John McNelly - Emergency Services Coordinator – AF6UA  
Jo Ashley – OAL – KB6NMK  
Bud Hennessy – OAL – AE6BH  
Zac Petersen – OAL – KJ6MLT  
Harry Hodges – OAL – W6YOO

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by EARS President, Mike KF6SJ
2. Terri W6TRB moved to accept the minutes from the April Board Meeting. John AF6UA seconded. The minutes were approved, with two abstentions by Jo KB6NMK and Zac KJ6MLT.

### OFFICER & COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

- a. President's Report (Mike KF6SJ):
  - Mike introduced the new meeting location at the Pacific Western Bank building to the Board. Jo KB6NMK moved that we change our meetings to the new location. John AF6UA seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.
  - Jo KB6NMK moved that we change our meeting time to 7:00 p.m. John AF6UA seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.
  - John AF6UA moved that we change our Board meeting time to 6:00 p.m. Matt N6EAJ seconded. Motion was approved unanimously.
- b. Vice-President's Report (Matt N6EAJ):

(By email)

Thank you to Dan Hendricks from OSML for talking to the club during our May meeting.

I am planning on making the June 12th meeting field day related and showing "The Last Big Field Day". The video was shot in 2004, but not edited and released until 2011. The editing and commentary is very well done. It was released as a DVD, but it is now available on Youtube (I downloaded the 720P version from Youtube). It was reviewed in QST (see attached). It might also be a good way to break in the new meeting place without a guest speaker to make sure

everything goes smoothly (assuming the new place gets voted in). I'll send the official announcement to Steve by Monday May 19th for the web page.

I listed the Vibroplex lightning bug from the SK on Ebay. I'll get all profits from it to Teri after it sells.

- Matt noted that the announcement he mentioned in his email had been sent to Steve.
- The bug sold for \$129.50.

c. Treasurer's Report (Teri W6TRB):

(By email)

Account balances:

Checking: \$3,372.49

Savings: \$3,495.26

CD: \$2,010.92

The opportunity drawing for May 08 meeting sold \$36 in tickets. The winner of May's drawing is Ron Bowen KJ6VMT.

- There was a discussion of the CD which renews July 5. Motion by John AF6UA to put the CD into savings. Seconded by Jo KB6NMK. Passed unanimously.

d. Technical Committee Report:

No report.

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

- John briefly discussed what events are upcoming.

f. Membership Report (Steve W6TAN):

(By email)

The current membership stands at:  
132, 56 of which are life members.

g. Newsletter Report:

(By email)

Articles for June's All EARS are due by Thursday, 5th June - ready for publication on Sunday the 8th.

h. SANDARC Report (Mike KF6SJ):

(By email)

Zac KJ6MLH and myself are the EARS delegates and we both attended the last SANDARC meeting that was held on April 24th.

A report was given on the upcoming ARRL Southwestern Division Convention. All is proceeding properly.

The Santee Street Fair was discussed. This fair will be held on May 31st and June 1st. It is a large event with 60,000 attendees expected. SANDARC will be paying for a booth at the fair. It is available for SANDARC member clubs use the booth to advertise their clubs. I will see that our club brochures are in the booth.

SANDARC now meets on a quarterly basis with the next meeting scheduled for July 31st, however, a special meeting will be held on May 29th for the purpose of reviewing the SANDARC budget.

i. Webmaster Report:

(By email)

The EARS website is currently up-to-date as far as possible.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. Field Day was discussed. John AF6UA reports that everything is on schedule.
- b. The annual picnic was discussed. The date was set for Saturday, August 16, at Rod McCleod Park.

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. The possibility of creating an EARS Ham Radio Scholarship was discussed. More information will be gathered.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Next Board meeting is Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014.