



**ESCONDIDO AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY**  
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## EARS Board Meeting Minutes

September 18<sup>th</sup>, 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  
Jeff Murdock – OAL – AE6GM  
Dirk Reschly – OAL – N6SUN  
Jo Ashley – OAL – KB6NMK  
Harry Hodges – Historian – W6YOO  
Marvin Munster – Guest – W6MJM  
John Beltsner – Guest – W9EN  
Roger Gagos – Guest – K6EQ  
Dr. Henry Richter – Guest – W6VZA

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:14 p.m. by Club President, Mike KF6SJ
2. Matt N6EAJ moved to accept the minutes from the August Board Meeting. Jeff AE6GM seconded. The minutes were approved with one abstension (AE6GM).

### OFFICER & COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

- a. President's Report (Mike KF6SJ):
  - Mike thanked everyone for attending.
- b. Vice-President's Report (Matt N6EAJ):

(By email)

Thanks to Jeff Murdock AE6GM for presenting about the roll of Carlsbad CERT in the 2014 Carlsbad fire.

I will continue to bring the EARS video projector to board meetings since it is nice to be able to put up the meeting minutes in front of everyone.

Roger Gagos K6EQ talked to me about possibly presenting about the different type of digital voice modes at our October 9th meeting. I have e-mailed him to confirm and he will likely be at the board

meeting to lend input on the repeater situation.

The November meeting is scheduled to be Kurt Barnhart N6MD. He is planning on doing a smaller version of his "Emergency Communications Roundtable / San Diego North County and Mountain Backcountry" discussion that took place at the Southwest ARRL convention.

- Roger K6EQ is confirmed to speak in October on digital audio modes.
- There was a discussion on what to do for the November meeting and for upcoming 2015 meetings

c. Treasurer's Report (Teri W6TRB):

(By email)

Checking: \$2,511.38

Savings: \$5508.19

Paid Hays Liability Insurance

Marsh Equip insurance not due until Jan 07, 2015

- The opportunity drawing has raised \$309 and needs about \$40 more to do the raffle. We expect that at the October meeting.
- There was a brief discussion of upcoming expenses.
- The NSF check has been collected.

d. Technical Committee Report (Jeff AE6GM):

- The antennas need to be replaced and we should change to hardline.
- There was a detailed discussion of the proposed new repeater. On a quick vote, there was more interest in getting a new repeater than repairing the old one.
- Motion by Jeff AE6GM, 2<sup>nd</sup> by John AF6UA to purchase the Yaesu DR-1X. Motion passed unanimously.
- The antennas at the Salvation Army building need to be removed.

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

- John AF6UA accepted Christmas Parade signups.
- ARES wants volunteers for the Miramar Air Show.
- ARES will participate in the earthquake drill on October 16 (at 10:16 a.m.)

f. Membership Report (Steve W6TAN):

(By email)

The current membership (as of June 19th) stands at:

Life: 58

Paid (2014+): 96

Total: 154

g. Newsletter Editor's Report:

(By email)

Many thanks to Mike, Matt & Teri for their contributions for September's All EARS.  
Articles for October's All EARS are due by Thursday, 2nd October - ready for publication on Sunday the 5th.

h. SANDARC Report (Mike KF6SJ):

- There was no meeting last month.

i. Webmaster Report:

(By email)

The EARS website is almost up-to-date...

I need to add the latest All EARS, and update next month's presentation details etc. which I'll be doing over the next day or so (in between studies)

I need updated Opportunity Drawing details - I haven't had any updates for a couple of months

What's happening about the updated membership form (tri-fold)?

- Marvin W6MJM will send the tri-fold to Steve W6TAN.

### **3. OLD BUSINESS**

None

### **4. NEW BUSINESS**

None (repeater was discussed during technical committee report).

Meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Next Board meeting is Thursday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2014.

Respectfully submitted by John Mussleman, N6EP, Secretary.