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EARS Board Meeting Minutes

April 16, 2015

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:13 PM by Mike KF6SJ.

Mike Hightower, KF6SJ, President
Matt Tucker, N6EAJ, Secretary
Robert Kitson, KI6SBL, Treasurer
John McNelly, AF6UA, Emergency Services Coordinator
Jo Ashley, KB6NMK, Officer at Large
Zac Petersen KJ6MLT, Officer at Large
Dirk Reschly, N6SUN, Officer at Large
Roger Gagos, K6EQ, Officer at Large
Also present:
Vivian Wentworth-Kitson, W6NWF, Field day chair
John Musselman N6EP

II. Approval of Minutes

The February minutes were approved (John M. 1st, Rob 2nd, two abstain, six approve).

III. Officer & Committee Chairman Reports

a. President's Report - Mike KF6SJ

Submitted via agenda:

The 440MHz DR-1X repeater is back on the air.

Waiting for Yaesu System Fusion shirts.

Thanks to the auction people Jo, Zac, Dirk, Roger, and Jo's son A. J. who did the audio for the auction. The auction was successful and uneventful.

From Meeting:

Mike liked the location and the building for the auction (First United Methodist Church in Escondido). We had about six less people than last year.

b. Program Director's Report – John W9EN

Submitted via e-mail.

I will not be able to attend the meeting, but here is a quick update on program status. The May presentation has been changed to accommodate the Escondido Charter High School. They will be making a presentation on The Daedalus Project -Team 2839 and hopefully making a demonstration as well. Team 2389 is a part of a larger robotics group from Heritage K-8 Charter School and Escondido Charter High School. Our robotics program includes teams in FIRST LEGO League (FLL), FIRST Tech Challenge (FTC), and FIRST Robotics Competition (FRC). By engaging students early and offering opportunities to stay involved over time, we are getting students excited about science and engineering and leading them to careers in science and engineering. More information is available at <http://team2839.org/>.

It's been suggested that the Robotics presentation may only last 30 minutes. I've asked the mentors of the Mount Carmel High School Amateur Radio Club if they might be prepared to give a brief presentation on their most recent high altitude balloon launch. I have not heard back yet on that prospect.

The originally scheduled AMSAT presentation by Patrick Stoddard, WD9EWK has been rescheduled for July. The originally scheduled RFID presentation for July has not yet been rescheduled.

At board meeting:

Jo asked about having more room near the front of the meeting room for the robotics group presentation. We discussed that we can fold up tables instead of just moving them to give more room for chairs in the back.

c. Treasurer's Report – Robert KI6SBL

Please see the end of this document for financial data submitted by Rob.

At board meeting:

We will give Robert information so he can pay people from the auction.

Mike told us the Paypal account money was transferred to the checking account.

Robert asked if there is a way we can prompt people to enter their call sign when they pay via Paypal. Since there isn't a form on the EARS web page, it doesn't seem like we can prompt them for a call sign.

d. Technical Committee:

At board meeting:

Do we need a lift to replace the 2m antenna?

It was asked if we already paid Marvin for the bracket that Marvin had made to mount the new 2m antenna. We have paid him. We may have to drill holes in the telephone pole at Hubbard to mount the new antenna/bracket.

Zac can get a man lift for \$25/hour for delivery. Zac will get a quote. Zac will go up the antenna pole without a lift to check bolts/pole diameter/height before we set a date for the 2m replacement.

e. Secretary's report - Matt N6EAJ

At board meeting:

The ARRL web page is now showing the updated EARS information that I changed last month.

f. Emergency Services Coordinator Report – John AF6UA

At board meeting:

Nothing to report.

g. Membership Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

Submitted via e-mail:

There are current EARS membership as of 16th April 2015 is

- Life: 60
- Paid (2015+): 59
- Total: 119

We have 87 ARRL members, this is 73% of our total current membership - so affiliation is good.

The following 47 people were members for 2014 - but have not renewed for this year. Is it worth chasing them?

KK6NOD	T	Robert	Boden
AG6JTE		Robert	Calderone
WB6ZPB	E	Jim	Campbell
KK6OER	G	Charles	Carmichael
KK6LAW	T	David J	Carson
KI6CSY	G	Mary K	Cross
KK6LWE	G	Bill	Dahnke
WA6JER	G	Jerry L	Davis
KK6LAT	T	Jan	Diffenderfer
KK6MAY	T	Cory	Edelman
K0NEB	E	Joe	Eisenberg
KK6OET	T	Frank	Finnerty
KK6MBA	T	Dora	Gallego
KA6OCA	G	Gary G	Garman
N6TWO	G	Doug	Grassey
KK6PER	T	David	Haas
KK6MBI	T	June	Honsberger
KK6MBH	T	Mike	Honsberger
KG6SDH	T	Jack	Hopkins
K6PJHG		Peter J	Horgan

K6SML	E	Patrick J	Horgan
KI6SRB	E	Mae R	Horgan-Cruz
W6DM	E	Sheldon	Howard
KJ6QDG	G	Dale	Keehan
KK6DYZ	T	Donald	Keele
KK6PES	T	Jason	Kinch
KJ6GOV	T	John	Landen
KK6NOR	T	Jacie	Memdiola
KK6NOT	T	Ian	Minor
K6BK E		Mitch	Mitchell
KK6LBL	T	Catherine W	Nanz
KK6LBF	T	August W	Nanz
KK6OES	T	Dennis	Nelson
KK6LAS	T	Richard	Nielsen
KK6FRI	G	Christian	Ohlendorf
KK6NOU	T	Tyrone	Park
KK6GYJ	T	Joseph	Pitz
W6ZZ E		GeorgeD	Pugsley
W6AEN	E	Jacob S	Reichman
W6VZA	E	Henry L	Richter
W4CBJ	E	Joseph	Rubin
KK6AHB	G	Stephen	Stipp
KK6MZA	T	Antonio	Torquato
KK6TV	E	Nick W	Uran
KI6FCP	T	Sandra	Urias
NA6L E		John	Vissat
KK6NPD	T	Thurston	Watson

At board meeting:

Should we call or contact the people that haven't renewed their EARS membership? A lot of people on the list were "KK6" calls that are new and probably signed up for the free EARS membership when they passed their tech license so no we won't contact them.

h. Newsletter Editor's Report – Rob KI6SBL

At board meeting:

Board Talk is no longer going to run in All EARS.

i. SANDARC Report – Mike KF6SJ

Submitted via agenda:

At the next SANDARC meeting on April 30th, the board officers will be elected.

The candidates are:

CHAIRMAN: Steve Early, AD6VI and Joe Acevedo, N6SIX (incumbent)

VICE CHAIRMAN: Michael Maston, N6OPH and Bill Metzger, W6RGS (incumbent)

SECRETARY: John Trites, NO5X (incumbent / unopposed)

TREASURER: Bruce Rosenblatt, K6JU (incumbent / unopposed)

At board meeting:

Mike took suggestions from board members regarding the Chairman and Vice Chairman SANDARC positions.

Robert moved that EARS should vote for Joe Acevedo for chairman and Bill Metzger for vice chair. Passed.

j. Webmaster's Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

Submitted via e-mail.

The EARS website is up-to-date apart from details of May's general meeting.

At the request of Mike - There is now additional functionality to allow .pdf attachments when sending e-mails to the EARS membership.

IV. Old Business

Picnic: It was suggested that we form a committee to organize the picnic so we can pick a date. We will wait another month to do so as we would like the VP present for the discussion.

Vivian announced we will have a field day meeting today after the board meeting.

V. New Business

Robert moved to donate \$50 to whatever organization the family of Art McBride picks or send flowers if no organization is listed. The motion passed unanimously.

Robert will check into the EARS insurance to make sure all is well and up to date.

VI. Adjournment

Mike KF6SJ adjourned the meeting at 7:15PM.

VII. Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be 6PM, May 21, 2015 at 900 Canterbury Pl, Escondido CA.

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EARSChecking
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Reconciliation Summary

BANK STATEMENT -- CLEARED TRANSACTIONS:

Previous Balance:

2,076.14

Checks and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits
Service Charge
Interest Earned

2	Items	-330.65
1	Item	104.00
0	Items	0.00
0	Items	0.00

1,849.49

Ending Balance of Bank Statement:

YOUR RECORDS -- UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS:

Cleared Balance:

1,849.49

Checks and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits

0	Items	0.00
0	Items	0.00

Register Balance as of 02/28/15:

1,849.49

Checks and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits

1	Item	-48.98
4	Items	522.00

2,322.51

Register Ending Balance:

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Cleared Transaction Detail

Date	Num	Payee	Memo	Category	Clr	Amount
Cleared Checks and Payments						
02/16/15	1312	ROBERT J KITSON - MA...			R	-29.00
02/16/15	1313	MICHAEL HIGHTOWER - ...			R	-301.65
				2	Items	-330.65
Total Cleared Checks and Payments						
Cleared Deposits and Other Credits						
02/19/15		DEPOSIT CASH 89/CK 15			R	104.00
				1	Item	104.00
Total Cleared Deposits and Other Credits						
				3	Items	-226.65
Total Cleared Transactions						