



ESCONDIDO AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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An ARRL Affiliated Club



EARS Board Meeting Minutes

March 19, 2015

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Mike KF6SJ.

Mike Hightower, KF6SJ, President
John Belstner, W9EN, VP
Matt Tucker, N6EAJ, Secretary
Robert Kitson, KI6SBL, Treasurer
John McNelly, AF6UA, Emergency Services Coordinator
Jo Ashley, KB6NMK, Officer at Large
Bud Hennessy, AE6BH, Officer at Large
Zac Petersen KJ6MLT, Officer at Large
Also present:
Vivian Wentworth-Kitson, W6NWF, Field day chair
John Musselman N6EP

II. Approval of Minutes

The February minutes were approved (McNelly 1st Rob 2nd).

III. Officer & Committee Chairman Reports

a. President's Report - Mike KF6SJ

Submitted via agenda

The 440MHz DR-1X repeater is still being repaired at Yaesu.
Waiting for Yaesu System Fusion shirts.

PayPal needs Teri removed as the primary account holder and replaced with someone else. I talked to Dirk and he has agreed to be the custodian of our club account.

Steve Richards has a club IC-228H and would like to buy it from us for \$20. He has already spent \$51 on it for repairs and mounting hardware.

Steve also asked to try and get a higher percentage of officers on the Sunday night net. At the meeting: Rob moved that the radio be given to Steve Richards, Jo 2nd. Passed.

b. Program Director's Report – John W9EN

Submitted via e-mail.

A big thank you to Bill Calderwood, K1CT, for his presentation on Over-The-Horizon-Radar (OTHR). I did not have the opportunity to present his EARS pin at the meeting so I mailed it to him with a nice thank you letter.

I've reached out to Patrick, WD9EWK to make sure he is still available to present at our May meeting. Patrick will be driving from Phoenix so he'll stay the night at the W9EN QTH again.

The June meeting is reserved for Field Day training, planning etc. This might be a good opportunity to review scripts, logging programs, or whatever Vivian deems appropriate.

August is a ways out, but I'd like to check to be sure we are still planning on the traditional EARS Picnic at Rod McLeod park. I also want to verify what the traditional VP responsibilities are for this event. My time has been very limited these past months, but with sufficient heads up I should be able to handle the planning for this event.

We still have two openings in the fall months. Jeff Murdock has volunteered an exciting presentation on something in September.

At board meeting:

John let us know that Patrick confirmed for May. Jo asked if there is an interest to have the Escondido Charter school robot group present about their picking up type robot. The annual Picnic was discussed briefly. We decided to delegate duties out such as pizza and ice cream pickup.

c. Treasurer's Report – Robert KI6SBL

Please see the last page for data submitted by Rob.

d. Technical Committee:

The 70cm Yaesu repeater is headed back to EARS from Yaesu. Do we want to spend the money on a cherry picker so we can raise the new antenna or are we OK with the coverage our current antenna gives us?

e. Secretary's report - Matt N6EAJ

Submitted by e-mail

I updated the EARS' ARRL affiliation on 3/12/2015 via the ARRL website. The update process is checking and updating the information that the ARRL has for the club. I updated the president info, added some club pictures, changed the membership info (QTY and ARRL member numbers) to match the info in Steve's last report, and changed the contact person from Harry to me (thought this was appropriate since I have taken the repeater trustee job from Harry). The web page said the update will take about three business days to show up. Updating the ARRL affiliation will keep EARS listed as active by the ARRL. It is also a secretary duty (EARS bylaws).

I will bring some club pamphlets/membership applications to the March board meeting for those that want them.

The revised February board minutes were sent out March 3rd 2015

f. Emergency Services Coordinator Report – John AF6UA

There have been no requests for ham service.

g. Membership Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

No report submitted.

h. Newsletter Editor's Report – Rob KI6SBL

I (Matt) have a note under the Newsletter section of my notes about uploading the meeting minutes to the Skydrive. I am unsure if this was requested by Rob or via Rob, but I can and will upload the minutes to the Skydrive.

i. SANDARC Report – Mike KF6SJ

Submitted via agenda.

Zac KJ6MLT and I attended the last SANDARC meeting on February 26th. The primary topic was the upcoming SANDARC board elections. I was made the chairman for the nominating committee. There is a special meeting scheduled for March 26th at which I will present the nominations to the group. The elections will be held on April 30th.

j. Webmaster's Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

No report submitted.

IV. Old Business

Auction:

Heritage school has not let us know if the auction can be held on their campus.

Dirk has offered his work parking lot for the auction.

There was discussion on how long we wait for Heritage school to get back to us, if we should pick a “drop dead date”, how much money were we willing to pay for a location or table/chair rental, and should we move the auction date.

Jo made a motion for a maximum cost of \$300 for auction related expenses, McNelly 2nd. It passed.

Robert motioned that we postpone the auction if we don’t get a favorable response from Heritage school by Tuesday March 24th 2015. Belstner 2nd, passed.

We discussed that if we don’t have the auction, we will have a regular club meeting in April and Belstner will find a presenter.

V. New Business

No discussion.

VI. Adjournment

Mike KF6SJ adjourned the meeting at 7:39PM.

VII. Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be 6PM, April 16th, 2015 at 900 Canterbury Pl, Escondido CA.

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Reconciliation Summary

BANK STATEMENT -- CLEARED TRANSACTIONS:

Previous Balance:

Checks and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits
Service Charge
Interest Earned2 Items
1 Item
0 Items
0 Items

2,076.14

-330.65

104.00

0.00

0.00

1,849.49

Ending Balance of Bank Statement:

YOUR RECORDS -- UNCLEARED TRANSACTIONS:

Cleared Balance:

Checks and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits0 Items
0 Items

1,849.49

0.00

0.00

Register Balance as of 02/28/15:

Checks and Payments
Deposits and Other Credits1 Item
4 Items

1,849.49

-48.98

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						

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