



ESCONDIDO AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY
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EARS Board Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2015

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM by Mike KF6SJ.

Present:

Mike Hightower, KF6SJ, President

Matt Tucker, N6EAJ, Secretary

Robert Kitson, KI6SBL, Treasurer

John McNelly, AF6UA, Emergency Services Coordinator

Jo Ashley, KB6NMK, Officer at Large

Roger Gagos, K6EQ, Officer at Large

Bud Hennessy, AE6BH, Officer at Large

Dirk Reschly, N6SUN, Officer at Large

Also present:

Vivian Wentworth-Kitson, W6NWF

Bill Spencer K6BLL

II. Approval of Minutes

The September minutes (no board meeting in October) were approved (Rob 1st, Bud 2nd, all approve.).

III. Officer & Committee Chairman Reports

a. President's Report - Mike KF6SJ

Low turnout at last club meeting. The presenter cancelled the day before. The lack of ham radio presentations this year has negatively affected the attendance.

b. Program Director's Report – John W9EN

Nothing submitted

c. Treasurer's Report – Robert KI6SBL

The annual report was out during the November general meeting. It is included at the very end of this document.

The insurance renewal e-mail came in for the property coverage. The premium is \$144 and is due January 1, 2016. John McNelly moved to pay the insurance bill as it stands (no changes/additions). Roger 2nd. Passed.

Rob would like us to stop doing the opportunity drawing. We discussed the matter and Roger suggests that in general Hams like raffles, but we need to better manage the raffle. We may decide to go to just a small monthly raffle and no longer have larger items that take multiple months to make a profit.

Rob will add people that have paid for memberships. Approximately eight people are waiting to be added.

Robert asked Dirk about the audit. Dirk says we don't need an audit (as the word audit means in the financial world), but the EARS audit is more of a review and checks the treasurers work from the last year. The 2016 elected treasurer Bill K6BLL will do the review.

d. Technical Committee:

Tentative antenna party for December 5-6.

e. Secretary's report - Matt N6EAJ

The EARS September minutes were e-mailed out on September 22nd.

f. Emergency Services Coordinator Report – John AF6UA

John has about 20 hams signed up to work the December 12th Escondido Christmas Parade.

John will be the Escondido ARES emergency service coordinator.

We discussed a request to loan out the EARS tower/tower trailer. Mike thought that it would be a complicated process for a group who has never assembled the trailer/tower. It was also suggested that the antenna has a lot of small parts that could be lost by someone not familiar with the antenna. There was no vote, but the consensus was to not lend the tower/trailer out.

g. Membership Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

From the new membership statistics section of the web page:

Current paid membership: 67

Current life membership: 63

Current total membership: 130

Current ARRL membership: 94

ARRL affiliation is: 72%

- h. Newsletter Editor's Report – Rob KI6SBL
Rob would like pictures of EARS members from when they were in their 20s or 30s for the newsletter.
- i. SANDARC Report –
Via Mike.
SANDARC will want a list of delegates and backup delegates for the SANDARC January meeting.
- j. Webmaster's Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN

Nothing submitted.

IV. Old Business

The list of people elected as 2016 board members at the November general meeting were given by Mike.

Officer election results:

President – John Musselman N6EP

VP – Nick Uran KK6TV

Secretary – Matt Tucker N6EAJ

Treasurer – Bill Spencer K6BLL

Emergency Services – John McNelly AF6UA

OAL – Dirk Reschly N6SUN, Jo Ashley KB6NMK,

Roger Gagos K6EQ, Bud Hennessy AE6BH, and

Tom Stanford K7YMG

V. New Business

Michelle Thompson W5NYV applied and paid for a life membership. Life memberships must be voted in by the board. Rob moved to approve Michelle and John McNelly 2nd. Passed.

We discussed the possibility of having people bring ham related material to the regular EARS meetings to help raise interest in monthly meetings. People at the meeting could take the material or possibly make a small donation to take the material.

Mike found the amount of money (\$450) that was approved for last year's EARS Christmas party. McNelly moved that we approve the same amount (\$450) for this year's Christmas party. Jo 2nd, one abstain, all others yay. Passed.

We discussed that although the Belstner's always spend more than the allocated Christmas budget (we pay out the approved amount and they donate the rest), we should

get receipts from them so there aren't liability problems (so we can show that EARS checks go to reimburse money that was spent).

VI. Adjournment

Mike KF6SJ adjourned the meeting at 6:59PM.

VII. Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be 6PM, December 17th, 2015 at 900 Canterbury Pl, Escondido CA.

2015 Annual EARS Treasurer's Report taken from the PowerPoint by Rob KI6SBL

Account Balances	
Savings	\$4,511.23
Checking	\$2,532.19
Total	\$7,043.42

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EARS Savings Account - 2015			
Month	Debit	Credit	Balance
OPENING			\$ 4,509.33
JANUARY	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,509.52
FEBRUARY	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,509.71
MARCH	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,509.90
APRIL	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,510.09
MAY	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,510.28
JUNE	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,510.47
JULY	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,510.66
AUGUST	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,510.85
SEPTEMBER	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,511.04
OCTOBER	\$0.19	\$0.00	\$4,511.23
	\$1.90	\$0.00	\$4,511.23

EARS Checking Account - 2015			
Month	Debit	Credit	Balance
OPENING			\$ 1,676.38
JANUARY	\$399.76	\$0.00	\$2,076.14
FEBRUARY	\$104.00	\$330.65	\$1,849.49
MARCH	\$522.00	\$48.98	\$2,322.51
APRIL	\$359.67	\$0.00	\$2,682.18
MAY	\$749.05	\$584.00	\$2,847.23
JUNE	\$160.05	\$400.10	\$2,607.18
JULY	\$0.04	\$100.00	\$2,507.22
AUGUST	\$0.00	\$96.34	\$2,410.88
SEPTEMBER	\$195.50	\$411.80	\$2,194.58
OCTOBER	\$337.61	\$0.00	\$2,532.19
	\$2,827.68	\$1,971.87	\$2,532.19

INCOME		EXPENSES	
Auction	\$749.00	Auction	\$584.00
Membership	\$1,779.00	Field Day	\$425.31
Raffle	\$249.00	Picnic	\$189.79
Other	\$150.68	Insurance	\$229.00
	\$2,927.68	USPS Box	\$86.00
		Raffle	\$358.79
		Other	\$98.98
			\$1,971.87