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EARS Board Meeting Minutes

February 16, 2017

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03PM by John Musselman N6EP

Present:

John Musselman, N6EP, President
Mike Hightower, KF6SJ, Past President
Mike Bohanan, KM6MPB, Treasurer
Matt Tucker, N6EAJ, Secretary
John McNelly, AF6UA, Emergency Services Coordinator
Dirk Reschly, N6SUN, Officer at Large
Bud Hennessy, AE6BH, Officer at Large
Tom Stanford, K7YMG

II. Approval of Minutes

The January 2017 EARS board minutes were approved (John AF6UA 1st, Mike H. 2nd, unanimous).

III. Officer & Committee Chairman Reports

- a. President's Report - John Musselman N6EP
Things are going well. We will discuss the raffle later in the meeting.
- b. Program Director's Report – Nick Uran KK6TV
Submitted via e-mail (text in italics)

2017 Meeting Presentations

March 9 Paul WA6PY EME and EME Contesting
April 8 EARS Auction
May 11 Tom K7YMG/Arduino Controlled SWR Detector
June 8 Field Day Planning/Emergency preparedness-Jeff Murdock AE6GM
June 24,25 Field Day
July 13 Bioenno Power
August 13 (Tentative) EARS Picnic
September 14 Open
October 12 Open
November 9 Open
December 9 (Tentative) EARS Holiday Party

I have had numerous requests for another Quiz night, probably Sept, Oct or Nov.

I thought our Ham Shacks and Show and Tell meeting was a great success and would like to thank all that participated.

At meeting:

Nick was unable to attend tonight's meeting.

Mike B. asked about having one or two meetings a year that would be new ham oriented.

We had a brief discussion of the pros and cons of having meetings specific to new hams.

c. Treasurer's Report – Mike Bohanan KM6MPB

Submitted via e-mail (text in italics)

Treasurer's Report

Escondido Federal Credit Union Feb Notes

Checking (Beginning): 2,226.86

Savings (Beginning) 4,513.63

Petty Cash (Beginning) 90.00

Total (Beginning) 6,830.49

Checking Income:

Memberships: 120.00

Drawing Income:

Auction:

Other Income (donations):

Christmas Party: 225.00

Net from PayPal:

Total: 345.00

Checking Expenses:

Quiz Night Prizes:

Postage:

Office Supplies:

Drawing Expense:

Auction:

Field Day:

Picnic:

P.O. Box:

Insurance:

Misc Expenses:*

Total: 0.00

Checking Net Gain / (Loss) 345.00

Savings:

0.38 Dec & Jan dividends

Savings Net Gain / (Loss) 0.38

Petty cash

(21.00) raffle tickets

Petty cash Net Gain / (Loss) (21.00)

Escondido Federal Credit Union

CheckIng (Ending): 2,571.86

Savings (Ending): 4,514.01

Petty Cash (Ending): 69.00

Total (Ending): 7,154.87

Overall Net Gain / (Loss) 324.38

**Antenna repairs, speaker dinners*

At meeting:

The account values are matching up well. The only thing that keeps him from getting an exact match is Paypal as those come in as Mike H. transfers them over.

Opportunity drawing: We discussed having a battery box (probably try Marvin as a supplier for this or other raffle items). Mike B. is glad to buy stuff for the drawing, but he will need suggestions for items. Some suggestions were Anderson power pole crimpers and an Anderson power distribution block.

d. Technical Committee:

Nothing to discuss.

e. Secretary's report/Repeater trustee - Matt N6EAJ

Submitted via e-mail (text in italics)

The EARS January board meeting minutes were submitted via e-mail on January 25th 2017.

f. Emergency Services Coordinator Report – John AF6UA

Submitted via e-mail (text in italics)

Field Day: Last meeting I mentioned I had a ladder we could maybe use for Field Day. Inspection reveals it is a 28 foot ladder.

Monthly ARES meeting:

- *3 Escondidians in attendance: Mike KM6MPB, McKenzie KM6FFR, and yours truly.*
- *Hints that Hands-Free Law was intended to cover HTs but not mobile 2-way radios, stay tuned*
- *Cal Fire has terminated the Red Flag Patrol program*
- *Many new hams use Baofeng, consider getting a UV-5 and learning how to program it manually so you can elmer*
- *Baker to Vegas coming up March 25th, call for volunteers (<http://www.radiobaker2vegas.org/>)*
- *HRO has a new HT: FT-65 for \$170 (2m/440 + receives a lot more, 4 programmable buttons, flashlight)*
- *HRO has a Yaesu 8900: \$319 gets you four bands (6/2/440/220) and cross band repeat*
- *(Meeting topic was NVIS)*

At meeting:

ARES is calling this Thursday and Friday condition yellow because of a six hour period of two inches of rain.

- g. Membership Report/Webmaster's Report – Steve W6TAN/G0TAN
Nothing submitted

- h. SANDARC

Submitted by Matt via e-mail (text in italics)

The January SANDARC meeting was on Thursday the 26th 2017.

We were encouraged to send in our club activities so they can be posted on the SANDARC web page.

There was not enough interest for a SANDARC college scholarship so the issue was closed. We discussed the registration of SANDARC representatives on the SANDARC web page.

We discussed the upcoming elections of SANDARC officers. A three member nominating committee was formed. There will be a special meeting on March 30th which will only cover nomination of officers. Nick and I discussed having one of us go to the special meeting in March and the other go to the regular meeting in April. Another option is to send one or both of our alternate representatives to the March meeting.

There was no new business to discuss.

IV. **Old Business**

PO Box: There was not an EARS PO box change since the Escondido post office decided not to rearrange the PO boxes.

Dues: Mike B. will not use the big red button and send e-mails to members that haven't paid yearly dues.

Meeting access: We need to make sure one person is in the building before 6PM on regular meeting nights. We will likely just rotate through people to cover it. Matt will come before 6PM for the March meeting.

V. New Business

We need a new field day chair. Mike B. volunteered to be the new field day chair. John N6EP suggested downloading the Field Day packet from the ARRL website. We will have FD meeting after board meeting and will say 7PM for the FD meeting.

Auction:

Matt will make an auction flyer and post it at HRO, send it to PARC so they can post it in their newsletter, put on Facebook, and send to Steve.

Bud will contact the auctioneer.

We will contact Zac about running his auction spreadsheet.

Mike H. brought up that Tom N6TFL would like to get Echolink out of his house. That led to talking about putting the echolink at the repeater site, but that would require internet. We discussed internet again.

Bud talked about contacting Gary KA6OCA about putting Echolink at his house.

Tom K7YMG said that if we ever get internet at the repeater site, it would be great to have an HF SDR receiver there.

VI. Adjournment

John N6EP adjourned the meeting at 7:25PM.

VII. Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be 6PM, March 16th, 2017 at 900 Canterbury Pl, Escondido CA.