

October 6, 2015 SEARC Business Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM CDT

ARES Report Dustin, KDOQYR, needed to leave early so started the meeting with a summary of ARES activities. ARES will be conducting a joint exercise with the Red Cross on November 14. It will be a sheltering exercise in the morning followed by a table top exercise in the afternoon. ARES members are encouraged to attend. The next ARES meeting will probably be at the end of November.

The SD link is selling custom hats and shirts for fund raising purposes. George, WDOGNE, made a motion that SEARC donate \$200 to the SD link. The motion was approved but then amended to increase the donation to \$300.

Chan reported that the club has a large white canopy that is in his garage and he would like the club to locate a place to store it. Chan also brought in a box of shirts and sweatshirts for the members to help themselves to.

We need to check with the Weather Service about participating in Skywarn Recognition Day.

Minutes and Treasurers Reports The minutes from the August and September business meetings were reviewed and approved. The Treasurers Report was approved with a balance of \$7761.84

VE testing four candidates successfully passed new and upgrade licensing exams at the Sept VE session. Four more are planning to come to the Oct VE session.

QSLs We are not able to locate W0ZWY or W0FSD QSL cards but Ed, W0EDK, is taking care of making cards and responding to QSL requests.

SEARC renewal notifications we discussed sending out renewal notification for membership in 2016. We decided to wait until after the January 2016 Business meeting to save on postage.

Technical The technical committee discussed putting our repeater back on the Menlo water tower. We have not received word that work on the tower is completed.

The heterodyne problem previously noted on the 146.895 repeater does not seem to be a problem anymore. We will continue to monitor.

Jerry, K0MTZ requested help from the members in putting up a 40 foot tower at his residence.

Bill, KC0DAS, and Tony, KB0WSW, got the Alpha Delta DXCC antenna tuned and installed on the tower at the club location. It looks and performs well.

Jamboree on the air we have not been contacted by the Boy Scouts so SEARC will not likely participate in JOTA this year.

W0EOJ estate a Galaxy 5 HF station from the estate is being offered for bids. It is a mid-1960's vintage tube type HF transceiver with power supply, phone patch, external VFO and speakers which appears to be in good shape. The bidding stands at \$150. A tape recorder from the same estate was sold for \$10.

OLLI Shelia, KE0CLN, is writing up a proposal for a presentation. We also discussed doing a Girl Scout demonstration.

October Net Control Will, KE0Z, volunteered for Oct SEARC net control. Bob, KE0DNZ, is backup.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 PM