



**Minutes**  
**March 13, 2013**

W5AQA

Call to order

7:30 PM, Vice President Bear Albrecht, W5VZB, presiding  
8 members, 1 guest present (see attachment 1)

Introductions

None

Announcements

- Input from the floor  
None

Minutes for February 2013 approved  
(as posted at [www.socorroara.org](http://www.socorroara.org))

Reports

- Treasury: Jim Lommen, KC7QY  
(as submitted, see attachment 2)
- ARES, LEPC: Doug May, KFAVG  
The last I heard from Mike Scales was on Feb. 18. He emailed: "I will process the request to ARRL. At some point, we will set up a meeting with you to discuss the goals you identified during our call." I will keep you posted if anything happens.

Kerry Jones, NOAA weather analyst, reported that the 12-month period Feb. 2012 to Jan. 2013 was the 2nd driest in their 118-year records history. He also said we are in the third year of what could be a 6-year or more dry cycle. El Nino and La Nina have no observable connection with our weather patterns. Snow pack is from 20% to 60% of normal. Prediction for the future: UNCERTAIN.

NMSP Capt. Adrian Armijo was elected LEPC vice chairman. There was an Active Shooter drill at the high school on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Jerry Wheeler announced:

- 1) an ICS/EOC Interface Workshop G191 at the Annex on March 5 (15 attended);
- 2) an ICS 300 class here April 22-24;
- 3) animal care class April 26;
- 4) an Exercise in June.

Glen Mauger reported on Crosswalk.

The County Manager and 20 others attended the Feb. meeting. The March meeting will be 10 AM on the 21st.

- Charter School: Jon Spargo, KC5NTW  
The Charter School class is doing well. We have finished the book and are reviewing and starting to take practice exams. I would like to schedule a class visit to the EOC com center. Also the HF antenna tuner doesn't work very well. Tuning to a particular frequency involves patience and luck and too much time. I would like to ask for the purchase of an automatic antenna tuner of the type being used in the EOC com center. Then I can return the old one to Don Woods. The G5RV antenna suffered some wind damage and has been repaired.

Note: the Board will review the question regarding the tuner.

- TARA: Billy Valliant, KF5IVN  
So far, three students will be attending the April 19<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> blitz session for their technician class while I will be attending for my General class license. There is a possibility that a couple of people from Las Lunas will try to attend who are affiliated with one of the TARA members as well. TARA's goal is to send 10 people for licensure however it looks like around 5 instead. A final head count will be presented at next month's SARA meeting in April. The NMT student government association has not pledged a budget to TARA nor have they provided us with a charge code for maintenance yet. The current financial officer has not acted on approving TARA's proposed budget so the individuals that go to the blitz session will be paid for out of the account that SARA has so graciously been keeping for us.

#### Old Business

- 'Blitz' license session(s)  
Spear 15 is available and allocated to us  
1700 to 2000 hrs on Friday 4/19  
0800 to 1800 hrs Saturday 4/20  
0800 to 1800 hrs Sunday 4/21  
Class has projector for presentations and seats 22
- Bylaws  
Will come up for vote at annual meeting on May 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013
- Radio Room technical considerations  
Limited discussion of technical issues; 75 amp supplies have arrived, 15 Poly Phasers have arrived, along with some cable.
- Hamfest committee  
Limited discussion; volunteers needed.
- Field Day committee  
No report

#### New Business

- Input from the floor  
None

Presentation

- Sterling Coffey, ADRF & Fox Hunting  
Limited presentation; full presentation rescheduled to next meeting

Good of the Organization/Other

- Input from the floor  
None

Adjournment

8:35 PM  
Prescott Grey, W1PCG  
Secretary

Attachment 1

From: kc7qy@att.net  
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2013 7:38 AM  
To: Prescott Grey; Bear Albrecht  
Cc: 'Bear Albrecht W5VZB'  
Subject: Re: Sign in?

Doug may have it. I think it went around on his clipboard.

Attendance was light:

Vern & Paula,

Doug May

Henry

Sterling

Kalman

Jon

Bear

Me

Jim KC7QY

## Socorro Amateur Radio Association Treasurer's Report February 28, 2013

Transactions	Debits	Deposits	Balance
mo - yr February-13			
Opening Balance			8,259.53
<b>Debits</b> Check			
<b>Total Debits</b>	<b>0.00</b>		
<b>Deposits</b>			
<b>Total Deposits</b>		0.00	
28-Feb            Statement	8,259.53		
<b>Outstanding</b>			
Total Outstanding checks	-		
28-Feb            Checkbook balance	8,259.53		8,259.53
Adjusted CB Balance	8,259.53		
Statement - Adj CB Bal	-		
28-Feb            TARA Balance			376.08
28-Feb <b>SARA Balance less TARA</b>			<b>7,883.45</b>

Renewals Due -		
Braun	Al	AC5BX
Braun	Sandy	KB5YIX

Renewal Past Due		
Giles	Bear	KB5VIE
Standefer	Ralph	N5PNG
Huang	Casper	KF5GVL
Frawley	Tom	KA0YYP
Rader	Al	WA5POL

**Jim Lommen KC7QY - Treasurer**