



MINUTES September 10, 2014

W5AQA

Call to order

7:30 PM, President Dave Johnson, KB5YIW, presiding
14 members, no guests present (see attachment 1)

Discussion

The discussion regarding growing membership is summarized in Appendix A

Business Meeting

Minutes for August 13, 2014 approved (as emailed to the membership and posted at www.socorroara.org)

Reports (5 minutes each; detailed written reports must be submitted to newsletter editor on or before the first of each month. If you require more time for discussion of a specific topic, submit it for the agenda.)

- **Treasury** **Jim Lommen, KC7QY**
See attachment 2 (as submitted)
- **ARES** **Al Braun, AC5BX**
See attachment 3; EOC is close to being operational.
- **Charter School** **Jon Spargo, KC5NTW**
Ham radio classes have resumed at the Charter School. So far we have had two sessions. Right now I have 5 students that include 3 students (one girl!) and two adults. One adult is going for his general. The girl was killing time last week while her father and brother were in my class. By the end of the session she was answering questions! We, her father and I, told her we thought it would be really neat if she got her ham license before she got her driver's license! She came back this week and formally signed up. She even did the homework I had assigned to her brother! She is in 6th grade. I have boxed up all of the expired Technician books and will deliver them wherever the club wants for resale.
- **San Miguel Special Event Station** **Jim Lommen, KC7QY**
Call sign N5M will work Thursday the 25th through Tuesday the 30th for the 400th anniversary of a church on the current site.
- **NMT Community Day** **Eric Stargardt, KF5RCN**
Couldn't get enough interest to man a table.

Old Business

- **Club station - organization & set-up** **Dave Johnson, KB5YIW**
Still waiting on new alarm system to be purchased and installed.

New Business

- **Magdalena Ham Prospects** **Jim Lommen, KC7QY**
Need to get together with the teacher interested.
- **Fibber McGee's closet** **Dave Johnson, KB5YIW**
Will have 2 keys for the SARA closet. Brad will have one, Al will have one in support of ARES.

- **Fall Fling** Vern Leavitt, KD5UHB
Nov 8th at Fairgrounds
- **2014 Hamfest** Prescott Grey, W1PCG
We'll have a label party sometime the week of the 22nd.

Adjournment

8:55 PM
Prescott Grey, W1PCG
Secretary, Socorro Amateur Radio Association

Appendix A

September 10, 2014 Discussion

- Member Participation (activities)
 - Monthly technical programs (antennas building, kits, etc.) at other than meeting times (weekends?).
 - Barn (antenna) raising* for fellow members
 - Boy Scouts (Spargo is liaison)
 - Participation of Technician-level operators on HF at Field Day and special event stations
 - ARES participation in providing communications support for NM Search and Rescue.
- Lapsed Members
 - Written invitations don't work
 - Employ personal (face-to-face) invitations
 - Make a list of prospects to be approached and matched with members.
 - What does the club do? Make a list of club activities and the attractions of amateur radio.
- TARA (what can we do to generate interest in TARA?)
 - Contact NMT EE faculty members re: student and faculty participation in amateur radio
 - Cross-list hams vs. students at NMT to identify students
 - Notice/article in PayDirt
 - Pass out cheap HTs to attract activity
 - St Pius loot included some HTs
 - Need a set of expectations for use of these HTs.
- Area Hams never members (incentives?)
 - SARA repeater little used. To generate activity set up youth nets, NMT Net or Technician net. Other special interest nets. To build community.
 - Generate more community service support (contact Socorro Striders & Riders), Run For Life, etc.
- Generate new hams and then attract to SARA membership (incentives?)
 - Cottonwood Initiative
 - underway
 - High School & Sarracino Middle School?
 - See Other (below)
 - (Semi-) Annual Classes/VE Sessions
 - Jamboree on the Air held at location TBA
 - Save Our Bosque Task Force (10/24)
 - Other
 - Invitation events (e.g. BBQ w/ demonstration) to highlight ham radio (groups of STEM teachers from high school, Boy Scouts, FFA, 4H, etc.)

*Projects:

Charter school: Wx station
KC7QY: tower raising

Socorro Amateur Radio Association Treasurer's Report August 31, 2014

Transactions			Debits	Deposits	Balance
mo - yr					
August-14		Opening Balance			8,928.48
Debits					
	Check				
13-Aug	593	J Spargo - Tech Manuals	112.30		
15-Aug	594	Socorro County C of C	80.00		
Total Debits			192.30		
Deposits					
11-Aug		Amazon Smile		23.32	
22-Aug		Dues - Boswell		10.00	
Total Deposits				33.32	
31-Aug		Statement	8,769.50		
Outstanding					
Total Outstanding checks			-		
31-Aug		Checkbook balance	8,769.50		8,769.50
		Adjusted CB Balance	8,769.50		
		Statement - Adj CB Bal	-		
31-Aug		TARA Balance		Current	411.08
31-Aug		SARA Balance less TARA			8,358.42

Renewal Due - September		
Finley	Dave	N1IRZ
Greiner	Robert	
Rader	Al	WASPOL

Renewal Due -October		
Valliant	Billy	KF5VHA
Wolf	Ken	KC5HGG

Jim Lommen KC7QY - Treasurer

Monthly DEC/EC Report

Jurisdiction: Socorro County

Month: August

Year: 2014

AMATEUR RADIO EMERGENCY SERVICE

Total number of ARES members: 18 Change since last month: 0 (+, -, or same)

Local Net Name: Socorro County ARES Net Total sessions 9

NTS liaison is maintained with the NM ARES HF Net

Number of drills, tests and training sessions this month: 9 Person hours 34

Number of public service events this month: _____ Person hours _____

Number of emergency operations this month: _____ Person hours _____

Total number of ARES operations this month: _____ Total Person hours 34

Comments:

Signature: Al Braun Title: (EC or DEC) DEC Call sign: AC5BX`

Please send to your SEC or DEC as appropriate by 2nd of the month

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SESSIONS are training meetings, drills or other times that the team gets together to practice their skills.

EVENTS are planned actions (fairs, rally, races, etc) that the team participates in for communications.

OPERATIONS are emergency activations by the EOC or Emergency Manger or other official requesting assistance from ARES for communications.