

AMATEUR RADIO CLUB OF EL CAJON
Board of Directors
5 January 2010

The board of directors meeting was called to order by the club president at 1900hrs. A quorum was present.

President Paul, KC6QLS welcomed the returning and new board members. The new members of the board are Nick, AD6UK and Carl, AF6MX. Joseph, KI6TTF was also present. SECRETARY Mike, N6OPH read the minutes of the December board meetings. It was approved as read.

TREASURER'S REPORT was given by the new club vice president Gary, W6GRK in the absence of a treasurer. It was approved as read and filed for audit. The books will be ready for the annual audit on 14 January. Paul announced that Gordon resigned his office as treasurer-elect due to an increase work load and other activities. The resignation was accepted. Paul announced that he will appoint Larry AE6AV as interim treasurer. It was moved and seconded that that appointment be approved. The motion was carried. Paul appointed Joseph, KI6TTF as a new board member. It was moved and seconded (Rich, N6NKJ and Gary, W6GRK) that Joseph be approved as the new board member. Larry suddenly resigned his new office as treasurer. Upon acceptance of his resignation as Treasurer Paul, KC6QLS appointed Joseph KI6TTF as the treasurer. It was moved and seconded (Rich, N6NKJ and Ann KC6TBG). Motion was carried. Paul thereupon reappointed Larry, AE6AV as a board member. It was moved and seconded (Rick, N6NKJ and Nick, AD6UK) to approve this appointment. The motion was carried. The above scenario is required due to the requirements of club by-laws Article XI in order to fill the position of treasurer.

Paul, KC6QLS discussed with the board pending committee chairman appointments. He explained the function of the Elmer chairman's duties. Nick, AD6UK was appointed as Elmer chairman. Carl, AF6MX was appointed as antenna party coordinator by Paul, KC6QLS. Paul appointed Gary, W6GRK as the new field day chairman.

Paul mentioned the fact that the club is fifty years old this year.

SANDARC will be holding its meetings on the third Tuesday of each month through October 2010. This change was necessitated by the shrinking of hours and personnel within the city of San Diego. The ARRL SW Division Convention will be held on 17-19 September 2010 at the Sheraton Four Points hotel on Aero drive.

PUBLIC RELATIONS report was given by Paul, KC6QLS. The amateur radio display will be held at the Serra Mesa Library from March through April 2010.

VICE PRESIDENT Gary, W6GRK reported that he may have to have an alternate program in the event that Bob Birch KG6RGI doesn't make to the meeting to give his presentation on the amateur radio operations of the Red Cross. Gary stated that there are speakers scheduled through June 2010.

Paul announced that the tower trailer is having problems with the surge brakes. This issue needs to be addressed as it is a safety issue.

Paul also announced that Pat, WA6MHZ has resigned from the club as he felt slighted over the winners during the home brew contest in November 2009. The discussion within the board centered on revamping the categories for the next home brew contest. It was suggested that an "expert" category. Pat will be submitting an article for the *Counterpoise*. It was suggested that the categories for home brew would be: Antenna, novice & extra; Kits, novice & extra; Gear, novice & extra. If the individual has never submitted anything or build anything before, he would be considered a novice. If the individual has built a project before he would then be considered an extra. It was moved and seconded that the home brew categories and rules be approved. The motion was carried.

NET MANAGER Mike, KG6TDP reported the net activities for 2010.

EDUCATION chairman Mike, N6OPH reported that the technician class will begin on 12 January at the First Lutheran Church of El Cajon starting at 1900 to 2100hrs. If six or more students arrive the class will be taught. If not, the class would be dissolved. A general theory course will start the second week of March.

PUBLIC SERVICE Rich, N6NKJ reported some problems with ARES. Rich stated that there would be ongoing training with the Wild Fire Safety training probably on an annual basis.

Yuma hamfest will be 19-20 February in Yuma AZ. This hamfest will be attended by various ARRL officials at this event.

Quake net 2.1 will be on 17 January.

There was a short discussion regarding the communication summit held in September 2009. So far there has been any further movement regarding this issue.

There being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 2105hrs.

Respectfully Submitted

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