

Minutes

Palomar Amateur Radio Club

Board of Directors Meeting

April 11, 2012



The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Baca KD6TUJ at 7:40pm at the home of Al Donlevy W6GNI. In attendance were:

President	Dennis Baca KD6TUJ
Treasurer	Dave Ochs KI6LKP
Secretary	Paul Williamson, KB5MU
Director #1	Don Johnson WD6FWE
Membership Chairman	Al Donlevy W6GNI

Treasurer's Report

KI6LKP distributed copies of the Treasurer's Report. The maturity date on CD #40 is now 3-19-2013 rather than the 3-13-2012 still shown in the report. The apparent loss of about \$600 was due to moving \$600 into a CD for self-insurance. Investigation revealed that moving our checking account from Bank of America to the San Diego County Credit Union would cost more. **Motion** by KB5MU to approve the Treasurer's Report as corrected. **Seconded** by WD6FWE. Motion **passed** unanimously.

Secretary's Report

KB5MU distributed copies of the minutes of the March board meeting, previously sent by email. KD6TUJ pointed out that the 6m cavities were not exactly delivered to W6HCD, merely taken there, measured, and returned to KD6TUJ's garage. **Motion** by KI6LKP to approve the board meeting minutes as corrected. **Seconded** by W6GNI. Motion **passed** unanimously.

Upcoming General Meetings

KD6TUJ reported the May meeting will feature Dennis N6KI on phone patches from Vietnam, and that K2RP has scheduled programs through August.

Membership

W6GNI reported that the membership is still 274. Some email notifications about PayPal payments are getting lost, so he is now regularly checking the PayPal web page for transaction history instead of relying on the email notifications.

Repeater Technical Report

KD6TUJ reported a plan to go up to the repeater site and check things out on April 15. This will not be a full work party.

Operating Day

KD6TUJ reported that we are trying to get permission from Fry's management to reschedule the Operating Day for Sunday, May 6.

Field Day

KD6TUJ reported that Charlie NN3V has agreed to serve as Field Day chairman, and has already started up the Field Day net (Wednesday at 2000 on the 146.730 MHz repeater), published a flyer, and begun confirming availability of the usual resources. Rick N4OW will again deliver water for tower ballast and provide food. The lease agreement for the site in San Marcos is in hand. WD6FWE plans to retrieve the 6m antenna from storage and recondition it.

Nets and Events

N6JO has asked that the Oceanside CERT net be listed on the club's web site. KB5MU agreed to make the update.

Joseph K6JPE has expressed interest in reactivating the Off-Road Net. The consensus of the Board was that he may proceed, at the existing time and frequency. Net control stations for scheduled nets must be club members.

Ray KD6FHN has requested the use of the 447 MHz repeater by the Motorcycle Amateur Radio Club on Saturday April 21 from early morning until about 5pm in support of the San Diego Tour de Cure charity event. **Motion** by WD6FWE to approve the request. **Seconded** by KI6LKP. Motion **passed** unanimously.

Transmitter Hunting

Joe N6SZO and Joe KE6PHB have provided electronic copies of the handouts from their talk at the April meeting. KB5MU agreed to post them on the club's web site.

Joe and Joe may host a transmitter hunt at the club's picnic.

SANDARC

KD6TUJ reported that there is now a web page for the 2014 convention.

Coffee and Goodies Table Volunteer

KD6TUJ reported that we still need a volunteer to take over making coffee at each club meeting.

Picnic

KD6TUJ asked if we want to return to San Dieguito park for the picnic this year. Another possibility would be Bates Nut Farm. Several other locations were also mentioned.

501(c)(3) Status

KB5MU noted email to the Board from Howard KY6LA suggesting that the club could increase its attractiveness to donors and eligibility for certain grants by becoming a 501(c)(3) charitable organization. Another email message from Ron K2RP volunteered his wife, a recently retired accountant, to assist, and concurs that it is not difficult. KD6TUJ agreed to look into it.

Next Board Meeting Location

It was agreed that the next Board meeting would be held at the home of W6GNI at 7:30pm on May 9, 2012. KI6LKP promised to bring cookies.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Williamson KB5MU
Secretary