

Minutes

Palomar Amateur Radio Club

Board of Directors Meeting

October 12, 2011



The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Baca KD6TUJ at 7:21pm at the home of Ron Pollack K2RP. In attendance were:

President	Dennis Baca KD6TUJ
Vice President	Ron Pollack K2RP
Secretary	Paul Williamson, KB5MU
Director #1	Don Johnson, WD6FWE
Newsletter Editor	Michelle Thompson W5NYV
Membership Chairman	Al Donlevy W6GNI
Repeater Technical Chairman	Conrad Lara, KG6JEI

Secretary's Report

Secretary KB5MU distributed copies of the September Board meeting minutes. Motion by W6GNI to approve the minutes. Seconded by W5NYV. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

No Treasurer's Report was available.

Treasurer KI6LAV had distributed a summary of the auction results by email. Auction volume was similar to last year's, but the profit to the club was lower this year because less equipment was donated to the club for the auction.

Upcoming General Meeting

K2RP reported that the November meeting would be on Go Kits, presented by Ken Cohen KI6HRH. The speaker has a six-page handout, which will be distributed on the club's web site. The December meeting will be the annual holiday social.

Membership

W6GNI reported that the membership is down a few to 257.

Repeater Technical Report

Repeater Technical Chairman Conrad Lara KG6JEI reported that power converters for the packet equipment have been purchased and received, but not installed. Art KC6UQH visited the site and replaced the receive module on the 147.075 MHz repeater. Don WD6FWE is planning to make a 6m J-Pole antenna for the repeater site.

The generator currently at the repeater site is not capable of powering the battery chargers. In order to do that, we need a 240VAC inverter-based generator.

Operating Day

KD6TUJ reported that the YMCA has given permission for us to hold another Operating Day at the south end of the parking lot on November 20. Tom KG6RCW has volunteered to BBQ at Operating Day. KD6TUJ called KG6RCW on the telephone during the meeting and asked about funds for food. Based on his response, motion by KB5MU to allocate \$50 for food at Operating Day. Seconded by W5NYV. Motion by K2RP to amend the motion to increase the amount to \$75. KB5MU and W5NYV agreed to the amendment. Motion passed unanimously.

Possible Sale of Antennas

KD6TUJ reported that Erik KA6UAI had inquired about purchasing one of the Station Master antennas stored at the repeater site beside the storage container. Motion by K2RP to invite Erik to make an offer on the antenna. Seconded by WD6FWE. Motion passed with a vote of 2 aye, 1 nay, and 3 abstaining. KD6TUJ agreed to follow up with Erik.

Memoranda of Understanding

KD6TUJ reported that the Salvation Army had asked to update their oral understanding with the Club to a written MOU. KD6TUJ agreed to research what agreements are already in writing and follow up.

Offer of a Free Tower

KD6TUJ reported that a 54' crank-up tower is available for free in Temecula. It needs some refurbishment. After a brief discussion it was agreed that KD6TUJ would ask for it on behalf of the club.

SANDARC Bylaws Amendment

KD6TUJ reported that the San Diego Amateur Radio Council (SANDARC) had published proposed amended bylaws. Both Club delegates KG6JEI and KD6TUJ recommended that the Club vote against the amendments. Motion by W5NYV that the Board direct the delegates to vote no. Seconded by WD6FWE. Motion passed unanimously.

Publication of Membership List

KB5MU asked the Board whether it was a good idea to put a list of club members, with their expiration dates, on the web site. The consensus was in favor.

Next Board Meeting Location

It was agreed that the next Board meeting would be held at the home of K2RP at 7pm on November 9, 2011.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:19 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Paul Williamson KB5MU
Secretary