

Minutes

Palomar Amateur Radio Club

Board of Directors Meeting

November 9, 2011



The meeting was called to order by President Dennis Baca KD6TUJ at 7:35pm 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

No meeting minutes were available.

Treasurer's Report

Treasurer KI6LAV had distributed the Treasurer's Report by email, and copies were distributed. Motion by KB5MU to approve the Treasurer's Report as published. Seconded by W5NYV. Motion passed unanimously.

Upcoming General Meeting

K2RP reported that the December meeting will be the annual holiday social and elections. The January meeting is scheduled to be presented by W5NYV on Lithium Ion Batteries: How they work, why they fail. The February meeting is scheduled to be presented by KB5MU on some aspects of APRS.

2012 Club Officers

K2RP reported that the Nominating Committee recommended at the November general membership meeting that existing officers KD6TUJ, K2RP, KB5MU, WD6FWE, and K7ELH be re-elected, and proposed David Ochs KI6LKP for Treasurer. No nominations were heard from the floor.

KD6TUJ (as presumptive President-elect) asked each of the present committee chairs W5NYV, W6GNI, and KG6JEI if they would agree to serve again in 2012, and all agreed. The Repeater Site Chair remains open.

Membership

W6GNI reported that the membership is up a few to 266.

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. Don WD6FWE is planning to make a 6m J-Pole antenna for the repeater site. A TNC is ready to be re-installed. There are reports of reduced receiver sensitivity on the 145.05 MHz packet node.

Operating Day

KD6TUJ reported that the PAPA group would again participate at Operating Day, November 20.

SANDARC Bylaws Amendment

KD6TUJ reported that the San Diego Amateur Radio Council (SANDARC) bylaws amendment was defeated, 14 nay to 11 aye. A two-third vote was needed to pass. The standing Bylaws Committee remains active, and KD6TUJ has been invited to participate.

SCRRBA Band Plan Change

KG6JEI reported that the Southern California Repeater and Remote Base Association (SCRRBA) has changed channel spacing in the 70cm band plan from 25 kHz to 12.5 kHz for D-STAR channels. Implementation is some years in the future.

Cycle for Life

KG6JEI thanked the Club for use of the repeater during the recent Cycle for Life event.

Next Board Meeting Location

It was agreed that the next Board meeting would be held at the home of K2RP at 7:30pm (new time) on December 14, 2011.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Paul Williamson KB5MU

Secretary