

**Riverside County Amateur Radio Association
La Sierra University Church Educational Building
Riverside, CA
April 11, 2019**

BOARD MEETING

Present

Mike Anderson W6OSO – President
Alan Serl KM6KPW – Vice President
Jim Wiley AG6EA – Treasurer
Ron Braley KE6RYX – Director of Communications
Marlene KK6CTX – Interim Membership Chair
Margaret Albanese KC6UDH – Secretary

Absent

Don Williams KD6UVT – W6TJ Trustee

Meeting was called to order 6:00 PM

- Treasurer's report: \$3,237.17 checking & \$3,069.29 savings
- Marlene gave the membership report: 43 paid members
- Field day location is the same as last year at Martha McLean Anza Narrows Park. The dates for Field Day, June 21st to 23rd.
- Talked about the Club purchasing the "Ultra-compact 4 channel stereo head phone amplifier", around \$60 each. Borrow one from Robert to see how it works first before the Club buys one.
- Marlene is in need of someone to do the Monday net at 7:00 pm on the 3rd Monday of the month starting in April.

Field Day update:

Guest speaker David Banez K9LMR, Riverside Emergency Communication Group California, asked the committee for the use of gazebo 1 for Saturday. Rick Schirmer made arrangements with CERT for an advanced CERT class. They have invited other groups, Jurupa Citizen Core, NRA, presentation on the MESH network and other groups.

Motion made by Mike to approve the use of gazebo 1, approved by Marlene and second by Alan.

Raffle and door prize items, a budget of \$450 for a HT radio, HRO \$100 gift card and \$50 gift card. Motion made by Jim to approve the amounts, second by Marlene.

A \$300 budget for food, plates and misc. items. Motion by Jim to approve the amount, and seconded by Ron

We have the following people bringing items for Field Day and also in need of other items:

- Next meeting bring your laptop to have software loaded.
- EZ ups bring your own.
- Generators, extension cords, fuel and coffee pot – Jim Wiley
- 12v batteries – Marlene
- Mobile Tower – Rick
- Security Friday & Saturday – Chris KM6LOQ, Rick KK6CCT and David Hunt
- Public Relations – Art Sutorus
- Potluck – Marlene and Nina
- Folding tables, traffic cones, plates & utensils, American Flag, brochures, water and coolers – Marlene
- Mike will not be able to attend but he will loan a radio, table and EZ up.
- Safety Officer – Chris KM6LOQ
- Ladder – Rick
- CACHE Radio – Jim and Ron
- Order Porta potty, \$300 budget - Ron
- Overnight campers – let the Club know if you plan on bringing your RV or tent camp.
- Boy Scout Troop for opening Ceremony –
- Photographer –
- Set up –
- Clean up –
- Logging –

Board meeting adjourned 7:00 pm.

GENERAL MEETING

Meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

- Pledge to the Flag
- Self-introductions

Announcements

Longtime member Ted KM6AYC will be moving back to God's country May 1st. He will be greatly missed.

Ron announced that the sensitivity was adjusted on the W6TJ repeater.

General Discussion

Technician and General radio license classes coming soon. Jim needs at least three volunteer VE's for the classes, see Jim if you are a VE and want to help. Will be using the Gordon West License class manuals, you will need to study prior to the class. The date and location coming soon.

Mike went over the Club website, wanted to show the membership the location of the Code Plug for digital radios.

The Club is looking at different ways to retain and grow membership. Mike presented a new location for the W6TJ repeater, would prefer to move the repeater when Riverside County moves to Box Springs Mountain. The other location is Sunset Peak, is at a higher elevation, the cost is \$100 a month. That would mean raising the membership dues to cover the cost. Don and Ron will meet with Riverside County about moving the repeater to Box Springs. The reason for wanting to move the repeater is to get better coverage and more radio functions.

Motion was made by Mike to pursue moving the repeater, seconded by Alan and passed by membership.

Motion made by Phil to approved the \$450 for Field Day door prize/raffle items, seconded by Alan.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Margaret Albanese, Secretary