



Santa Barbara Amateur Radio Club (SBARC)
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

December 10, 2008

Call to order Start: 7:07 PM
Stop: 8:47 PM

SBARC President Michael Ditmore determined that the meeting could start since there were enough Board members present for a quorum.

ATTENDANCE

Absent	Present	Position	Name	Sign
	x	President	Michael Ditmore	W7HUT
	x	Executive Vice President	Tom Saunders	N6YX
	x	Vice President of Operations	Harry Rouse	K6PDQ
	x	Vice President of Emergency Services	Will Tefft	KG6DHK
	x	Vice President of External Affairs	Al Soenke	WA6VNN
	x	Vice President of Education / Training	Robert Pizzi	AC6PZ
x		Secretary	Bruce Touzel	KG6SZT
	x	Treasurer	Cindy Engel	KA7UIA
	x	Director-at-large	Dennis H. Schwendtner	WB6OBB
	x	Director-at-large	William B. Talanian	W1UUQ
	x	Director-at-large	Darryl A. Widman	KF6DI
x		Director-at-large	Bruce Gordon	N6OLT
	x	Director-at-large	Marvin Johnston	KE6HTS
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GUESTS PRESENT

- Dave Milton K6HWN (Club Station Manager)
- Cyril Johnson AF6GW
- David Larsen AC9AC
- Rick Whitaker KG6VLB



APPROVAL OF MINUTES

11/12/2008 Board Meeting

Since the minutes were emailed out to the Board members by the secretary, it was decided to forego the reading of the minutes.

Michael asked if there were any corrections to the 11/12/2008 minutes.

- none given

Michael asked if anyone would make a motion to approve the November 12, 2008 Board minutes as presented.

MOTION:

To approve the November 12, 2008 Board minutes as presented.

RESULT:

Motion made by Marvin Johnston / KE6HTS

Second by Dennis Schwendtner / WB6OBB

Motion passed by general consent.

CORRESPONDENCE

- none

TREASURER'S REPORT - KA7UIA

Treasurer's report for November 2008 was emailed to the Board for review by Michael Ditmore on December 10, 2008.

The Board reviewed and discussed the following reports:

- 1) Income & Expense
- 2) Balance Sheet

Tom noted that in the Balance Sheet report, item 3145 Rover Fund needs to be corrected to reflect the transfer of the new HF radio to the "Radio Equipment" category instead of "Asset". Also note that in the Income & Expenses report, there is a typing error for the description of Item 6140, it says "Offoce", should say "Office".



MOTION:

Approve the treasurer's report as presented and corrected.

RESULT:

Motion was made by Al Soenke / WA6VNN

Second by Marvin Johnston / KE6HTS

Motion passed by general consent.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Repeater Services – W1UUQ

Bill gave detailed updates to the Board on various topics.

Building extension plans are progressing well but the planned architect had to cancel so the construction company will find a new one. Bill handed out the site plan where the building will be located.

Operations – K6PDQ

Harry had nothing new to report for 2008 events and gave best wishes to Rick Whitaker as the new 2009 V.P. of Operations.

External Affairs – WA6VNN

Al had no new updates.

Education and Training – AC6PZ

Bob should have a new training schedule available soon.

Michael asked Bob to provide Technician level training to two organizations sometime in the first quarter of 2009. These groups were involved in the recent Tea fire operations and would be beneficial to have some formal classes.



Emergency Services – KG6DHK

Will reported that during their Christmas party, they looked back on 2008 and it was a very busy year for ARES with the two major fires, aero squadron exercises, Montecito evacuation drill, flu & vaccine exercise just to name a few. Will said that further work is required in 2009 to get more of the assisted living centers involved with amateur radio stations for their community emergency communications. There is also a need for more volunteers as weather spotters and to take the available training online.

Rover – N6YX

Tom said he did some more upgrade work on the Rover including the installation of voltage transient arrestors for the DC supply system. He is putting together more plans for 2009. Tom hasn't heard from the Toyon company that wanted to borrow the Rover.

Hamfest – KE6HTS

Marvin talked about the difficult task of planning the Hamfest on this large scale. Initial task is scoping out the overall financial needs based on many factors (site rental, projected attendance, vendor participation, etc.).

Program Committee – N6YX

Michael talked about possible activities that the club could do in 2009:

- Trip to the repeater site on the Island on a multi-day excursion involving trail work
- Field trip to the [NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory \(JPL\)](#) in Pasadena, late May



OLD BUSINESS

Club Station – K6HWN

Dave Milton talked about the need of a 12VDC battery backup power for the radio equipment at the club station during emergency services (as initially discussed at last months meeting. Dave provided the formal proposal from his team to the Board which described the necessary parts for this upgrade. The total amount needed is \$2,814. In addition to this, Dave also recommended the purchase of a [Uniden BCT15 scanner](#) covering 2500 channels, for less than \$250 which will be beneficial during emergency operations. The total amount for both the backup power and scanner is less than \$3,100.

MOTION:

Motion to confirm that the original amount of \$7,000 which was previously approved and allocated towards club station upgrades about seven years ago, is still available, minus some expenses of Force 12 antennas, giving an approximate available balance of \$5,000. This money comes from a Grant which is intended for this use.

RESULT:

Motion was made by Michael Ditmore / W7HUT

Second by Will Tefft / KG6DHK

Motion passed by unanimous consent.

NEW BUSINESS

- none presented



ADJOURNMENT

President Ditmore said he would entertain a motion to adjourn the Board meeting.

MOTION:

That the meeting be adjourned.

RESULT:

Motion was made by Will Tefft / KG6DHK

Second by Dennis Schwendtner / WB6OBB

President Ditmore declared the motion was approved by general consent and, whereupon, the meeting was adjourned.