



Minutes Palomar Amateur Radio Club Board of Directors Meeting March 9, 2016

President Charlie Ristorcelli NN3V called the meeting to order at 19:00 at Poway Fire Station #3.

In attendance were:

President Charlie Ristorcelli NN3V
Vice-President Joe Peterson K6JPE
Secretary Sandy Pratt KK6EED
Treasurer Tom Elliott W0NI
Director #1 Kevin Walsh KK6FRK
Director #2 John Walker AC7GK
Chairmen:
Membership Glen Christensen KJ6ZQH
Repeater Tech Mark Raptis KF6WTN
Repeater Site Mark Raptis KF6WTN
Scope Editor Michelle Thompson W5NYV

Guests

Paul Williamson KB5MU
Dennis Baca KD6TUJ
Greg Gibbs KI6RXX
Mike Gottlieb KF6HCL

Treasurer:

- Tom W0NI submitted the February report.
- Income was \$578.90, Expense was 314.98
- Budget Estimate Revision – 2 categories (Annual & Budget).
- Annual Events Budget (Field Day, Picnic, Operating Day) \$2000 & Monthly Budget \$810.

Secretary:

- Sandy KK6EED had submitted final draft February BOD minutes electronically to board members. All saw and unanimously approved to be filed as presented.
- Going forward General Meeting & Board Meeting minutes will be sent out electronically as draft for corrections. The final copy with board approval will be sent in PDF form to post to Dropbox, but Special Meeting minutes will be saved as hard copy in the Secretary's files, but not posted.
- January 13 BOD meeting minutes had not yet been approved. Mark moved for their approval. Unanimous vote. Filed as presented.

Membership:

- Glen KJ6ZQH reported total membership of 253 (202 regular, 22 head of family, 28 other family member & 1 honorary). About 50 memberships have lapsed. 2 were identified as Silent Keys.
- Renewal notices are being generated to those remaining lapsed members.

Repeater Technical:

- Mark KF6WTN reported the Yaesu controller has arrived.
- The 6M cavities are due to arrive within the week. A work party will be arranged to clean the area where they are to sit and get them set up. The antenna itself will need replacing soon. Perhaps a fundraiser to purchase one. Michelle offered to follow up.

Repeater Site:

- Site keys (current known holders are... Joe K6JPE, Mark KF6WTN, Michelle W5NYV and Dennis KD6TUJ).
- Back-up Technical Support Team may be needed as Mark's travels for work may take him away when a need arises.
- Trees at the site may need some trim attention. Joe K6JPE may know someone who can do this for us.

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- Charlie NN3V reported that we have a new receipt form that has been developed to give to donors for their taxes. Copy is on Dropbox.

Repeater Use Request Form:

- Glen KJ6ZQH is reviewing the procedures recommended by Dennis KD6TUJ, as well as one initiated by Kevin KK6FRK. Next BOD meeting, he will present a final policy form & request for use form.

Safe Deposit Box:

- Glen KJ6ZQH found it!! It's at the Bank of America 220 S. Escondido Blvd. Escondido, CA 92025. He recommended President & Secretary be points of contact.
- Charlie NN3V, Joe K6JPE, Glen KJ6ZQH and Sandy KK6EED will select a convenient day to meet there and take inventory of its contents.

At 20:09 President Charlie Ristorcelli NN3V opened the floor to guest comments/questions.

Dennis KD6TUJ and Greg KI6RXX inquired about the lack of posting the PARC General & Board of Director Minutes to the website. It was explained about the recent difficulties experienced in using Dropbox as a means of sharing draft minutes for their approval by Board members prior to posting. The Board acknowledged the difficulties and would correct the process going forward by utilizing email for draft approval/corrections. The final copy with Board approval will be posted.

Dennis KD6TUJ and Greg KI6RXX also inquired about their removal from posting on the club's Facebook page. It was explained that too many complaints regarding their posts prompted Facebook to instruct the moderator to deal with the issue. So that was the action taken.

At 20:50 President Charlie Ristorcelli NN3V asked guests to leave so that the Board could hold an Executive Session.

Executive Session

The resulting action of this session was to finalize the TERMINATION OF MEMBERSHIP for the previously suspended member.

The regular BOD meeting reopened at 21:18

New Business:

- Amateur Radio Operation Opportunities – John AC7GK offered a fun-type activity for hams at a local mall. The Board approved pending details. So he will follow up.
- PARC container - Mark KF6WTN as official property manager will check out the contents and follow up on any needed repair/replace items.
- Interfaith Emergency Preparedness Fair – if we do this, we will need our signs, a 10x10 pop-up, table & volunteers.
- Facebook policies – This was created for PARC members to discuss amateur radio and amateur radio topics. Unfortunately, 2 members' disruptive comments continued to garner enough negative comments that Facebook stepped in to ask the moderator to deal with the situation. The result was these 2 members have been removed from access.
- Bylaws Revision/Amendment – The previous efforts to bring the by-laws up to date fell short. We need to review what we have. Joe K6JPE moved to dissolve the by-law committee, Glen KJ6ZQH second. Unanimous vote, Aye. Paul KB5MU will follow up with suggestions.

President Charlie Ristorcelli closed the meeting at 21:37

Submitted by
Sandy Pratt
Secretary, Palomar Amateur Radio Club