

CVARC Board Meeting Minutes

April 13, 2017

Board Members:

President – Andy Ludlum

Secretary – Zak Cohen

Education – Norm Campbell

Public Relations – Joe Sprissler

Newsletter – Stu Forman (Absent)

Member at Large – Charles Pember

Guest – Bill Wilcox

Vice President – Tim Wheeler

Treasurer- Christian Ylagan

Operations – Ben Herrera

Tech Coordinator – Eric Peterson

Member at Large – Adrian Jarrett

Member at Large - Mark Horner

Meeting called to order: 19:30 PM by Andy Ludlum

- 1 Reviewed and accepted minutes of previous meeting as read
- 2 **Treasurer's Report** – Reviewed spreadsheet prepared and submitted by Christian
 - a. Accepted as read
- 3 **Presidents Report** – Andy Ludlum
 - a. Dues reminders thru May sent by Andy Ludlum. Andy has a spread sheet that will be used for yearly pro-rated dues needed for the May cut-over.
 - b. April meeting will have Eric Peterson bringing the coffee and Mark Horner bringing cookies. May will have Christian Ylagan bring cookies.
 - c. April pre-meeting dinner will be at Szechuan Garden, 484 E. Los Angeles Ave in Moorpark.
 - d. Steven Gillis proposed brought in the CVARC lanyards to be used on club badges. They will be sold for \$1.00 each – It cost \$.79. It will be sold at the club meetings by Bill Wilcox at the raffle table for \$1.00. Many Board members bought lanyards at the meeting.
- 4 **Project's Committee** –
 - a. The project with the highest interest with 65% was the field strength meter. The second most desired was the 2m Halo antenna at 55%.
 - b. Eric Peterson will run the field strength meter in June (TBD). Adrian Jarrett will run the halo project in mid to late September (TBD). Both projects should be kept to \$25.00.
- 5 **Vice Presidents Report** –
 - a. The April meeting will be on the Noise Floor given by Richard Rudman, He is a respected Broadcast Engineer formally employed by KFWB. Broadcasters and the ARRL are both working on the problem as it affects hams and broadcasters alike.
 - b. May will have Eric Christensen of HRO demonstrating five or six new and neatest ham equipment He will be directed to keep to base station or portable

equipment. If you have any ideas on which equipment he should bring, please notify Tim Wheeler with your suggestion.

- c. In June, the speaker will be Dick Norton from the ARRL.
- d. July will bring Rob Hanson to discuss Pan Adapters.
- e. August will be dedication to the Office of Emergency Services while September will bring Bob Heil on Skype to CVARC.

6 Operations Report –

- a. Club picnic – Bill Willcox is prepared for the 0800 AM, September 15th event. It is expected to have about 15 attendees and Bill will order and bring Subway sandwiches with chips and soda.
- b. Field day – Ben Herrera will start taking names of volunteers at the next meeting. He has a Google spread sheet with proposed names and proposed band captains (please review). He will have the first meeting the 3rd week in May. He has arranged for the porta-potty. It was discussed that we need to push for more night operations with many operators.
- c. Ben also needs a volunteer to help with the food – (TBD). We will use Meat Locker for our caterer. Ben will get quote and lock in date.
- d. Ben brought up a proposed purchase of filters, quadplexer and other products for field day. He said the additional filters will add redundancy to field day equipment. It will also allow us to use an additional antenna – multiband dipole – which was not used last year. This will also allow for more operators and the same band in multiple modes. It was suggested that various vendors be looked-into for pricing.

Motion: Motion raised by Norm Campbell – Motion to research three vendors for the equipment and to purchase from the lowest bidder – not to exceed \$800.00.

Seconded by Charlie Pember – passed unanimously

7 Reports from Members at Large

- a. No reports from Adrian Jarret, Charlie Pember and Mark Horner

8 Education –

- a. All the General and Technician License class attendees passed their exams.
- b. Future classes will be planned.

9 Newsletter –

- a. No Report tonight

10 Website Updates –

- a. Ben is finishing list of missing links and restoring technical articles. Andy will give him new dues/membership language. Ben is providing an old Mac laptop to allow others access to the website.

11 Public Relations –

- a. Joe Sprissler reported that an ad in the paper would be \$92 - \$205 and therefore too expensive. We can get Acorn, Star and Happenings for free.
- b. Joe will call the editor of the Acorn to advise that there are multiple field days so we can get covered.

New Business –

The raffle is breaking even. The Raffle will have a grand prize of 50 Watt solar equipment with a controller.

Important dates on Meeting Agenda should be checked and up dated as needed.

Eric Peterson received three requests for help which was successfully answered.

Meeting adjourned at 20:00 PM

Submitted by: Zak Cohen N6PK