

## FARC Board of Directors Meeting

### Call to Order : 1915

**Roll Call** - President Stuart Home WB6VRJ, Vice President Gabriel Moreno N6OSB, Secretary Jim Erbe W6NIF, Treasurer Ron Hunt N6MTS, Aaron Lusk K6USY(A), Joe Capell W0PJD, Jack Baker AC6LT, Ken Holden WA6OIB, Mark Ward N6IB(A) and John McGraw AE6QR. (A) means absent. Guest Joe Cardoza WA6FFJ.

**Previous BOD Minutes to be read by Secretary.** Previous minutes read and approved. Stuart made the motion to accept as read and Ken made the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed by the Board.

### Officer Reports

A. President – Stuart Home WB6VRJ. Stuart made reservations for the annual Christmas dinner. It will be held at Yosemite Falls again as we did last year. The date is December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2012. The Board will see if the Club will provide a discount as we did last year to those attending.

B. Vice-President – Gabriel Moreno N6OSB

C. Secretary Report - Jim Erbe W6NIF. As of this meeting, we have 76 members.

D. Treasurer's Report - Ron Hunt N6MTS. In the checking account, the Club has \$10,705.14. All bills have been paid. We are scheduled to close the B of A account and move the monies to Golden One. Stuart, Ron and Jim will go to the Golden One facility on March 7<sup>th</sup> to open an account. We have a signed signature form to present to Golden One. Will want to create a CD there. Will need to pay a fee to join.

### Committee Reports

A. Technical Committee- Ken Holden WA6OIB. Ken said there is nothing wrong with the .34 receiver. The repeaters are linked together now. There are macros to unlink and many more options as well as using the DVR for announcements, etc. Ken said he will email out the code sheets for the repeater. Only system that doesn't talk to 450 is the 220 radio. 220 only talks to 2 meter. The 220 audio is down some and will need adjustment done to the controller audio. The linking connections will be talked about on the Wed night net by AC6LT.

B. Net Manager - Joe Cardoza WA6FFJ. Joe joined in conversation with the Board on how things are going with the nets and do we need any changes to the format or how the net is handled. One thing Ken brought up are the early check-ins. This will stop. Only mobile or portable will be considered. Joe will still use the person's name along with the callsign during roll call in the preamble or where deemed needed, will include the club's website, w6to.com for information, such as the Skip issues to view. Stuart will provide some CW after the Sunday night net. Also can we add the Allstar repeater group from the Mountain Group to our repeater list annotated in the Skip? Will send this off to K6MI Skip Editor. Joe would like to have help in doing the net at times.

C. Bio on Member for Skip - Joe Capell W0PJD. Joe is thinking about doing bios on some of our silent key members. There are some good stories that many remember that could be written.

D. Web Manager - Aaron Luck K6USY

F. Attendance Prize & Sunshine - Jim Erbe W6NIF. The next drawing amount will be for \$20.00. Sent a get well card to Jim Nelson, W6ALE. He is recovering from some heart attacks.

### **Old Business**

1. 501(c)3 info. Lisa Hunt, Ron's wife, has been doing a fantastic job in getting us back to our non-profit status. It just takes a lot of getting info back and forth with the IRS. Another registered letter to them has been sent asking for the correct ID number.

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### **New Business**

1. Gabriel talked with K6MI about some type club ice cream social. Don't believe it can be held at Cedar Lanes but will ask the manager. The club picnic could be when this could be held. But maybe we want this to be a separate event. Salvation Army facility? Show some old time equipment there along with the ice cream?

2. Do the By-Laws need to mention life membership requirements? Board said no.

3. Ken has made arrangements with PineRidge School for Field Day reservation. Ken has asked Stuart to ask the splinter group to have them back with the Club and have them handle Field Day.

4. Gabriel presented the idea of having a build contest and to provide prizes for one's project. Must be ham related. Will work on how to handle setting this all up.

5. Gabriel has asked about autopatching thru the club repeaters. Ken said it would take a lot to revitalize this feature. Lot of equipment to set up. Possibly bring it up to the membership for its worthiness.

### **FARC Projects for 2012**

A. Field Day

B. Summer Picnic

C. Nov. FARC Swap Meet

D. December Christmas Party

Adjourned at: 2042. Ron made the motion to adjourn with Joe making the 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion approved.

**Next Meeting on April 3, 2012 at WB6VRJ's residence.**