

# SCIRA BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 19, 2009

7:00 PM

791 N. Pepper Ave., Colton, CA 92324-1800

### Attending Board Members:

Craig N. Holmes – President Aaron M. Scullin – Vice President Michael K. Sorensen - Secretary Nyles G. Peterson – Treasurer James L. Dowdle – Membership Chair Earl Purkiss – Member of the Board

#### **Absent Board Members:**

Jared R. Case – Repeater Chair Carl Moody – Member of the Board Kris Scullin – Member of the Board

Visitors:

# I. Call To Order

Time: 7:15 PM

# II. Invocation

By Invitation: Mike Sorensen

# III. Approval of Minutes From Last Meeting

Approval of the Minutes of July 15, 2009

Postponed until next month to have printed copies - also notes were given to Mike to include in the minutes.

# IV. Director's Reports

# A. Treasurer Report - Nyles G. Peterson

1. Nyles provided current financial statement

Report accepted - Motion: Kris, Second Jim, Voting: Unanimous

# B. President's Report - Craig Holmes

- 2. Address change to the State and Feds Mike needs to change this address to his residence
- 3. Need the web site to show the PO Box for sending financial information
- 4. Report on Repeaters:

Snow Peak – need to put up pre-amp before first snow – we should get a pre-amp ASAP which will cost about \$400 – we need to budget for this

Running Springs – Aaron will present this information

Fountain Valley Storehouse – Need to assemble the radios, Mike delivered the new controller to Craig, antennas are on the roof but need to be checked out. We may need a new link antenna.

Los Angeles – Description of expected location of new radio box – on top of existing grain silos. We will need lightning arrestor – it may use the Snow Peak frequency until we can get a 2 Meter pair.

- 5. Mike needs to investigate IRLP as a good means for linking radios via internet more reliable than Echolink but is not perfect
- 6. Great ShakeOut Stake Participation and Promotion October 17, Saturday, Craig will draft a letter to the regional Stake Presidents informing about the event. Nets will be held on 80 Meters as well as several other bands If there are problems, we will instruct people to go to 445.160 MHz (Output of Snow Peak) as an alternate frequency. This information on the backup frequency will go on the web site.
- 7. Next General Membership Board Meeting. Colton Storehouse, September 16 7 PM.
- 8. Discussion about having Newsline and Training Nets on our repeaters. We need more systems on the air to do this we are very close.

# C. VP Report - Aaron Scullin

9. Eagle Tower - Foundation Project - Blake Scullin

Project is completed. Final receipts for expenditures are listed under reimbursements. Boy Scouts of America requests a formal letter of acceptance, approval, and thanks addressed to Blake from SCIRA, Inc. before they will approve his Eagle Project.



**ACTION ITEM:** It is proposed that the President of SCIRA, Inc. draft and deliver a letter of acceptance and thank you to Blake A. Scullin for his successful Eagle Project to construct the foundation for Eagle Tower.

Motion: Kris Second: Jared Voting: Unanimous

10. Eagle Tower - Tower & Equipment Installation Project - Alex Scullin

Eagle project approved by BSA. Alex has exceeded his fundraising goals. Approx. \$2000.00. He has mailed out over 200 letters to Stake Presidents and others. He has secured a crane and operator for free. Extra funds beyond what is needed for raising the tower will be used to buy equipment for Eagle Tower. Receipts for initial expenses are listed under reimbursements.

#### 11. Reimbursements

#### FOUNDATION PROJECT

Chip Hoffman's Concrete Pumping	\$300.00
Deer Lick Lumber	\$14.96
Arrowhead Electronics	\$22.26
Krispy-Kreme Doughnuts	\$23.75

#### **TOWER & EQUIPMENT INSTALLATION PROJECT**

USPS	\$44.00
USPS	\$47.19
Cabinet Shelves	\$230.40

Total \$682.56

- 12. Dedication Service to be held October 24, 2009 @ 10:00 AM
- 13. Need formal invitation letter sent to Elder Dalton. He has already agreed to come and offer the dedicatory prayer. I suggest that Carl McClaine write a formal invitation to him or the President of SCIRA, Inc.

Craig will work with Carl to draft a letter - no vote

- 14. Need formal invitation letter sent to Mrs. Burton who donated the tower to SCIRA, Inc. I suggest that the President of SCIRA, Inc. write the invitation.
- 15. Attendance at the dedication service should be by invitation only. Seating is limited. We need to discuss who should be invited.

Expect  $\sim$ 100 – 120 attending including SCIRA Board, families, those working on the project, and major contributors – Don't expect Scullin yard can handle more than 90-100.

16. We should put information on the Web stating if anyone has an emergency fair that we would be happy to attend to offer information, or help with the fair in any way (booth, presentations, video, demonstrations...)

# D. Membership Chair Report - James Dowdle

- 17. General membership: I will give out printed spread sheets with the latest membership numbers.
- 18. Plaque for Eagle Tower:

Need new layout from Aaron. Need board to authorize me to proceed with engraving and the associated cost of \$175 Below is latest email I sent to Aaron and board:

7-31-1009

Hi Aaron,

I met with the company that I spoke with before about engraving the granite. There would be no charge adding the SCIRA logo if we provided the logo on a disk, I can do that. You gave me a layout before, would you please make some changes and email it to me.

Please add the SCIRA logo on the layout (it's on Google groups as a JPG) - your choice as where you want it placed. Perhaps omit the word SCIRA, Inc. on the present layout and put in the logo AND Southern California Intermountain Repeater Association. Also please add Karl Moody AE6TO, Kris Scullin KI6RUN and Carl Mc Claine KF6BWL. Change the month from September to October.

Please lay it out in 2 different sizes.

The first 12 X 18 inches (portrait for the granite). The second 8 1/2 X 11 inches (portrait) I saw an aluminum cast plaque that looked really great. The engraving company I am dealing with sends it out, and therefore must mark up the sales price. I'm thinking Carl Moody mentioned he can perhaps get a good price via a source his work has used.

The 12 X 18 size would cost a lot more than an 8 1/2 X 11 inch. I think we should get two bids and the board decide which method and price would be best.

Comments, suggestions? Thanks very much, Jim

19. Have not heard what is the status of the repeater at the San Diego building? Discussions:

# E. Other Reports

20. Kris Scullin - Report on Grants



Summary of Report: Many companies offer grants to groups like ours. They want to see Memo Of Understanding with other groups to be considered. They usually avoid single church groups but would consider it if we had MOU with other groups not affiliated with the LDS Church. They want to see stated need and money required. As we complete the task, they will want to see expense reports and fund allocation reports.

# V. Benediction & Adjournment

By Invitation: Earl Purkiss - 9:05 PM