



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INTERMOUNTAIN  
REPEATER ASSOCIATION

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## GENERAL MEMBERSHIP & BOARD MEETING MINUTES

May 18, 2011

7:00 PM

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

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### Attending Board Members:

- Craig N. Holmes – President
- James L. Dowdle – Vice President
- Aaron M. Scullin – Secretary
- Kris Scullin – Treasurer
- Michele Hunt – Membership Chair
- Jared R. Case – Member at Large (Term Ending 12/12)

### Absent Board Members:

- Bob Moore – Repeater Chair
- Earl Purkiss – Member at Large Director (Term Ending 12/11)
- John Hunter – Member at Large (Term Ending 12/13)

### Members Present:

- Tom Thomas, WB6TT

### I. Welcome & Call To Order – Craig N. Holmes

- a. Time – 7:07 PM

### II. Invocation

- a. By Tom Thomas WB6TT

### III. Approval of Minutes

**Action Item (1):** It is moved that the Board approve the March 16, 2011 Board Meeting Minutes as corrected.

Motion: Jim      Second: Michele      Voting: 100% in favor

### IV. Treasurer's Report – Kris Scullin

- a. Review current Financial Statements

**Action Item (2):** It is moved that we approve the March & May 2011 Treasurer's Reports.

Motion: Michele      Second: Craig      Voting: 100% in favor

**V. President's Report – Craig N. Holmes**

- a. Repeater Updates
  - i. Snow Peak – We are still getting jammed by another party. This party has an IRLP node on our input frequency.
  - ii. Eagle Tower – Need to improve the link. Craig will need help from the Board to do further testing and diagnostics.
  - iii. Los Angeles – Still needs to be linked into the repeater system. 445.940 MHz (-) pl 151.4
  - iv. Fountain Valley – Storehouse is looking for both 440 MHz & 2M frequency pairs.
  - v. San Diego – Fundraising efforts are going very well. They still need a few more times to complete the repeater. Craig just got the controller and will get it put together soon.
  - vi. Piute Peak – No update. Need to collect equipment and get a frequency pair.

**VI. Vice President Report – James L. Dowdle**

- a. Submitted bids for San Diego materials. Based his decision to go with AES on best price.
- b. He has a friend that wants to donate a used repeater. It may need some work.
- c. This coming week he will visit with another friend who wants to put together a mobile trailer for emergency communications (John & Howard Hawkins). This may be a potential trailer that SCIRA can use too.

**VII. Secretary Report – Aaron M. Scullin**

- a. Automatic Packet Reporting System (APRS) Net Report. We had two check ins in April and 1 in May. Craig would like to test sending and receiving messages from SLC Headquarters.
- b. Presented 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2011 Emergency Response Communications (ERC) Area Seventy's Report.
- c. SCIRA, Inc. repeater system quality and its' effect on new memberships and member retention discussion. Aaron expressed his concern about the poor audio and slow pickup time of the repeater linking. This concern has been voiced by several SCIRA members. The body present discussed ideas to improve this. It is estimated that it will cost approximately \$3,500 in equipment improvements to make this happen. It will require new cans for every link, greater antenna separation, and an additional link frequency. The board asked Aaron to mention this in his weekly ERC Net reminder emails.
- d. Board members were invited to Check-in during weekly ERC nets.

**VIII. Membership Chair Report – Michele Hunt**

- a. 63 members currently
- b. Presented the latest newsletter and thanked those who submitted articles.
- c. She is missing emails for several members. She and Jim will get together to try and locate the missing contact information so that the newsletter can be sent to everyone.
- d. President asked Michele to send reminder emails to those members who's membership has or is due to expire.

**IX. Member at Large Report – Jared R. Case**

- a. Offered to help with solar panel project at Eagle Tower.

- b. An additional internet / Echolink connection will soon be up at his residence. Once installed it will be W6CTR-L. This will then offer 3 points of connection to our repeater system from the internet.

**X. Strategic Plan – Kris Scullin**

- a. Update and prioritize list of projects based upon meetings discussion.

**Action Item (3):** It is moved that we approve the updated Strategic Plan and the following expenditures.

Description:	Amount not to Exceed:
San Diego Repeater Expenditures by Jim (Previously approved Via email)	\$1,190.95
Total: \$1,190.95	

Motion: Aaron Second: Kris Voting: 100% in favor

**XI. Adjournment**

**Action Item (4):** It is moved that we adjourn at 8:35 PM.

Motion: Kris Second: Aaron Voting: 100% in favor

**XII. Benediction**

- a. By Kris Scullin

2011 Calendar:

- July 20<sup>th</sup> Board & General Membership Meeting
- August 6<sup>th</sup> ERC Conference
- October 15<sup>th</sup> Shake Out Exercise
- October 19<sup>th</sup> Board & General Membership Meeting
- November 16<sup>th</sup> Board & Annual Membership Meeting

Minutes taken by Aaron Scullin