



1682 N. Solano Ave., Ontario, CA 91764

**Board Meeting Agenda  
September 18, 2013 7:00 PM  
12160 Philadelphia Ave, Mira Loma, CA**

**Current Board Members:**

- Craig N. Holmes – President
- James L. Dowdle – Vice President
- Bruce R. Koyle, D.O. – Secretary
- Cliff Hillquist – Treasurer
- Scott Boland – Membership Chair/Computer Web Specialist
- Stephen Lang- Assistant Membership Chair
- Jared R. Case – Repeater Chair
- Tom Thomas – Member at Large (Term Ending 12/13)
- Michael McDonald – Member at Large (Term Ending 12/14)
- Dale Hanks – Member at Large (Term Ending 12/15)

Board Members Present: Craig Holmes, James Dowdle, Bruce Koyle, Cliff Hillquist, Scott Boland, Jared Case, Tom Thomas, Michael McDonald, Dale Hanks, Stephen Lang

Board Members Absent: None

Membership Present: None

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

**a. Time: 7:14 p.m.**

**II. Invocation**

**a. By: Tom Thomas**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**Action item (1): It is moved that the membership approve the minutes from the July 17, 2013 Board and General Membership Meeting.**

Motion: Michael McDonald Second: James Dowdle Voting: 100% Dale Hanks abstained, as he did not attend the last board meeting.

#### **IV. Treasurer's Report – Cliff Hillquist**

- a.** Review current Financial Statements.

#### **Action item (2): It is moved that we approve the Treasurer's Report**

Motion: Scott Boland Second: Michael McDonald Voting: 100%

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

- a.** Replacement Secretary We need a replacement secretary, as Bruce Koyle will be leaving the secretary position at the upcoming elections. Michael McDonald is a potential replacement.
- b.** Snow Peak: 445.160- 151.4: We need to set up the battery back up tone, so that we know if we are using back up power. It is a background tone that beeps every 30 seconds while transmitting.
- c.** Eagle Tower Running Springs: 445.700- PL 151.4  
A: Jared donated a repeater. We used the old preamp. The signal is now very nice. There is currently no linking to this repeater. The link will be at Jared's house. Jared's house will link Jobs Peak, Eagle Tower and Snow peak.  
B: Winlink crossband radio will be used another place. We will take the old repeater controller and radios from ET and reconfigure them for the Winlink link.  
C: Bruce Reprogrammed the IRLP radio to connect with the Eagle Tower repeater along with it's original configuration.
- d.** Link for LA Storehouse: 445.940- PL 151.4: Link at the LA storehouse is bad. Craig does not know if the preamp was installed. Radio is currently set for 20 watts. The radio needs a barrel connector and the link will work.
- e.** Jobs Peak: 146.910 -PL 151.4: The bad bacon sizzling sound coming from the repeater appears to be coming from the controller. Mike Collis is going to look into the problem and repair.
- f.** San Diego Storehouse: 445.940- PL 136.5: No news. The radio is not currently linking to Jobs peak properly. We will likely need to link to Snow Peak.
- g.** Bakersfield Repeater: Piute peak is not likely a viable option at this point. Craig proposed investigating placing a 440 repeater on Breckenridge, linked to Jobs Peak. The Breckenridge location is lower in elevation, but in a better location to link to Fresno.
- h.** Fountain Valley area: No current good location available. May need to consider placing a repeater at Dale Hanks house when he is no longer hosting his club repeater.
- i.** Echolink: Jared is currently working on a combined Echolink and Allstar node. This would enhance our capabilities, as well as provide a internet entry point for the repeater system. The Allstar system is accessible through a computer web browser.

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

James proposed forming a committee to investigate implementing the Narrow Band Emergency Messaging System (NBEMS) to pass emergency traffic. This system would likely be able to be used in an emergency, and we likely could use a digital form of the ERC Message Form rev. 3.5.

Action item #3 It is proposed that we form a subcommittee to investigate the use and feasibility of using the NBEMS system, as well as using an electronic form of the ERC Message Form. The committee will comprise the following Board members:

Jim Dowdle

Dale Hanks

Jared Case

Mike McDonald

This committee will report their findings during the January 2014 Board Meeting.

Motion: Mike McDonald Second: Bruce Koyle Voting 100%

**VII. Secretary Report – Bruce R. Koyle, D.O.**

a. I will be leaving Secretary Position effective at the time of the Board election.

**VIII. Membership Chair/ Computer Web Specialist Report – Scott Boland**

a. Scott brought the membership paperwork, handouts, cards etc to give to Stephen.

**IX. Assistant Membership Chair- Stephen Lang**

a: Stephen reported that Paypal would be easy to set up. Paypal would charge about 2.5% of all the money that was generated through the account. Craig still has some concerns about money control of the account. It was proposed that we set up the Paypal account to automatically deposit any money that arrives in the Paypal account into our bank account. Stephen is going to investigate if this is possible, and to make sure that Paypal can't withdraw any funds from the bank account.

b. Stephen also suggested that we rework the wording of the net to encourage people checking into the net to join SCIRA, inc.

It was felt that the best way to accomplish this would be to have a specific section of the net script to direct Net Control to allow one of the Board Members to give an announcement. Stephen will be posting the wording for the announcement on the SCIRA email list for all to review.

**X. Repeater Chair Report – Jared Case**

a. Report on recent repeater fixes. Jared purchased 4 used circulators, an antenna and silicone tape for Snow Peak.

b. Jared discussed the planned packet upgrade.

**XI. Member at Large Director – Tom Thomas**

a. No report.

**XII. XI. Member at Large – Mike McDonald**

a. Still working on setting up the KPC3+.

**XIII. Member at Large – Dale Hanks**

a. No report other than what was covered in Craig’s discussion of Fountain Valley

**XIV. Strategic Plan – Cliff Hillquist**

**Update and prioritize list of projects based upon meeting discussions.**

**Action item ( 4 ) It is moved that we approve the updated Strategic Plan and the following expenditures:**

**Description:**

**Amount not to exceed:**

**•Jared case for 4 circulators 2m/440 antenna and 2 rolls of silicone tape. \$ 185.04**

**Motion: Michael McDonald Second: Bruce Koyle Voting: 100%**

**XV. Adjournment**

**Action item (5) it is moved that we adjourn at 8:55 pm**

**Motion: Michael McDonald Second: Dale Hanks Voting: 100%**

**XVI. Benediction:**

**a. By: James Dowdle**

**2013 Calendar:**

October 16 SCIRA Board Pre-elections Review

November 20 SCIRA elections.

**ERC Events for 2013:**

October 19 ShakeOut

Agenda prepared by Bruce Koyle. Date: September 16, 2013

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Prioritized Strategic Plan

Priority	Current Projects	Site/location	Est. Cost	Budget Year
1	Edison per year	Eagle Tower	\$300.00	2013
2	Edison per year	Jobs Peak	\$720.00	2013
3	NARCC, SCRIBBA, TASMA Reg. as SICRA inc.		\$45.00	2013
4	Insurance	General	\$700.00	2013
5	Winlink System + controller	Eagle Tower	\$3,000.00	
6	Batteries	San Diego	\$1,050.00	2013
7	Duplexer	Fountain Valley	\$500.00	2013
8	2 Radios Duplexer Antenna	Fountain Valley	\$1,200.00	2013
9	Charger Controller	Fountain Valley	\$130.00	2013
10	Duplexer	Ontario	\$400.00	2013
11	Preamp	Los Angeles	\$150.00	2013
Total		\$8,195.00		
Future Projects				
12	2 meter Repeater System	Bakersfield	\$3,500.00	
13	440 Repeater System+NHRC	Bakersfield	\$5,450.00	
14	Repeater	Portable 440	\$2,000.00	
15	Radio Emergency Equip.	Misc	\$300.00	
16	Repeater	Palm Desert	\$5,000.00	
Total		\$16,250.00		
Grand Total		\$24,445.00		