

# Meeting Minutes January 18, 2023, 6:00PM Meeting Conducted via Zoom

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# Board Members (present and absent):

President: Stephen Lang (present)

Vice-President: Tom Thomas (absent)

Secretary: Clint Hunter (present)

Treasurer: Marcus Piquet (absent)

Repeater Chair: Jared Case (present)

Membership Chair: Open

Member at Large (term thru 2023): Wayne Jolley (present)

Member at Large (term thru 2024): Dale Hanks (present)

Member at Large (term thru 2025): Craig Holmes (absent)

Web Specialist: Jim Gallacher (present)

#### **SCIRA Members Present at Meeting:**

No Members Attended Meeting

## i. Welcome and Call to Order: Stephen Lang

Time: 6:05 PM

Invocation: Wayne Jolley

## ii. Approval of Meeting Minutes from December 6, 2022 Meeting

Action: Page 4 redundancy corrected before approval motion.

Motioned that the minutes from the December 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022 meeting be approved.

Motion: Wayne Jolley

Second: Dale Hanks

Vote: Unanimous (5 yes / 0 no)



## iii. Treasurers Report: Marcus Piquet

No Financial report provided for meeting

No vote to approve financial report taken

Treasurers report to be given in the March meeting

Motion:

Second:

Vote:

### iv. President's Report: Stephen Lang

- a) Stephen Lang is working with Ken Fawson to fill the open membership chair position, plan is to have him in place for approval at the March meeting.
- b) We are in good shape with finances having over \$8000 in the account.
- c) Mt. Ord Repeater: Stephen proposed bringing Mt. Ord repeater (old 2 meter repeater) back online with allstar linking. Jared Case and Craig Holmes have been working with Mike Collis and Jared will speak with Mike about what is needed and report in March. One ongoing issue is reliable power and SCIRA will probably need to purchase solar panels.
- d) Palomar Repeater: San Diego area gave approximately \$1000 last year for ongoing monthly costs of \$100/month to help pay for \$1200/year operating costs. The repeater needs new batteries and a charge controller at an approximate cost of \$2000 for a total of \$3200 in 2023. Stephen Lang will speak with Mike Guymon and Steve Egbert about having San Diego area fundraise to help with at least half of the cost and SCIRA will pay for the rest. The board discussed this approach and all agreed it would be best to have San Diego contribute to the one-time costs and the ongoing costs.

### v. Repeater Report: Jared Case

### a) Race to Vegas

April 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> is the Baker to Las Vegas law enforcement run and the organizer has requested help from amateur radio licensees. Jared to send info out to those that requested for possible volunteering.

#### b) Snow Peak

Jared Case proposed adding a VARA FM digipeater at the Snow Peak repeater site. Stephen Lang proposed approving funds up to \$400 to pay for adding the digipeater. Jared said due to current snow level it would most likely be completed in June 2023.

Motion: Jared Case



Second: Clint Hunter

Vote: Unanimous (5 yes/ 0 no)

### c) Palomar and Contractors Repeaters

Jared Case to check on cost of replacing batteries for Palomar and Contractors repeaters.

### vi. Board Chair Reports

#### a) Vice President – Tom Thomas

No report in the meeting.

#### b) Membership Chair – Open

No report in the meeting.

### c) Secretary Report – Clint Hunter

- 1. Mistake on December minutes corrected: Mike Collis' spelling fixed
- 2. Amazon is ending Amazon Smile program on February 20, 2023. Jared Case suggested we look into applying for grants for emergency communications. Jared will research grants and report during the March meeting.
- 3. July 2022 meeting minutes. During the March 2023 meeting Clint Hunter will poll board members for information from the July meeting and type up minutes to be posted and approved.
- 4. Repeater Chair position name will remain as such
- 5. Clint Hunter to develop QRV newsletter, send to board for review and then send out to membership bi-monthly or quarterly.

### d) Members at Large – Wayne Jolley / Dale Hanks / Craig Holmes

Wayne Jolley inquired about what type of grants we would look at applying for, Jared Case said most likely emergency communication grants since he knew of an organization that had received a similar grant.

Dale Hanks inquired about item #7 on Future Projects, specifically Los Angeles reference. Stephen Lang clarified Los Angeles was Contractors Peak repeater and replacing of batteries.



## e) Web Specialist – Jim Gallacher

Nothing to report.

#### vii. New Business

No new business items were discussed.

# viii. Strategic Planning (in priority order):

Snow Peak Digipeater: \$ 400

Palomar Peak Batteries & Controller: \$ 2000

Contractors Peak Batteries: \$ 2000

TOTAL PROJECTS: \$ 4,400

# ix. Meeting Adjournment

Action: Motioned that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion: Wayne Jolley

Second: Jared Case

Vote: Unanimous (5 yes / 0 no)

Time: 7:45 PM

Benediction: Stephen Lang

# 2023 Meeting Calendar

January 18, 2023: SCIRA Board Meeting

March 15, 2023: SCIRA Board Meeting and General Membership Meeting

May 17, 2023: SCIRA Board Meeting

July 19, 2023: SCIRA Board Meeting and General Membership Meeting

September 20, 2023: SCIRA Board Meeting

November 15, 2023: SCIRA Annual Meeting / Board Elections