

Sierra Blanca Amateur Radio Club

Minutes of Annual Meeting

July 2, 2016

The location of the SBARC 2016 Annual Meeting was located at the El Paraiso Restaurant. The meeting was called to order at 0920 by President, Richard Brown, W1FEW. There was one guest present. The President called for a vote of approval for the minutes from the 2015 Annual Meeting, & these were unanimously approved. The Secretary Don Veazey, KA5DRV, reported that 16 active members were present and that a quorum was present. A total of four proxies had been submitted by eligible members, these scattered among Richard Brown, W1FEW, and Joe Kenmore, K5FBK. The financial report for the 2015-2016 was presented and accepted as was the proposed budget for 2016-2017.

Old Business -

The status of the repeater repairs was addressed by W5DET as "complete". Both repeaters are back on line and functioning normally. Doug reported that both sites needed new batteries as the old ones were reported as marginal by the newly installed Solar Charge Controller. The membership voted to purchase new batteries. This report was actually given during the breakfast meeting but since that was on the agenda, it is included here.

New Business-

Jim Edwards, K5JWE, briefed the membership on the Ft. Stanton Horse Endurance Rides that is scheduled July 10-16. He passed out a spreadsheet that showed the locations and times where radio operators are needed. He also passed around the area maps indicating the ride routes and the location of each of the locations where radio operators will be stationed. Jim asked for volunteers to man each of the locations requiring an operator. Jim will provide the club secretary with the spreadsheet (Excel format) so that each club member will have the opportunity to view the routes and volunteer their time for any location that has not been assigned. He requested that this information be given back to him before Saturday the 9th of July. The route maps will be posted on the clubs website so that members can review the maps as needed.

Don Veazey asked Jim Edwards if he would volunteer to serve as the clubs Point of Contact for all public events that SBARC is asked to support. This will provide a single point of contact and will remove any confusion that sometimes occurs when different members get involved in coordinating the club's efforts.. Jim agreed to fill this position but requested that another member serve as backup. A volunteer needs to be a local resident and a request for volunteers will be issued.

Other Business.

Don Veazey spoke briefly about the need to restructure the Board of Directors or replace it with an Executive Committee. The rationale is to relieve the officers with total planning for the future of the club and the proposed allocation of resources for the club. This will be discussed at future breakfast meetings. Don Veazey will make sure that a change is compliant with the rules established for a NM Corporation and a 501 (c) (3) corporation.

Election of Officers.

The current officers had agreed that they would stand for re-election. Don Veazey, Secretary/Treasurer reported that no nomination had been submitted to him or to any other club member. It was moved and seconded that the current officers be re-elected by acclamation. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 0943.

Submitted Respectfully,
Don R. Veazey, KA5DRV
Secretary/Treasurer