

Socorro Amateur Radio Association
Minutes for July 12 2023 Meeting
By Rick Lively, KI5GDB

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 12 July 2023 at the EM Conference Room in the Socorro County Annex at 198 Neel Ave. Brad Smith (SARA Vice President) called the meeting to order at 730 hours. Rick Lively (Secretary) took notes.

1. Introductions: No introductions.
2. Program: No program.
3. Announcements:
 - a. Rocky Mountain Division Hamfest will be held in Albuquerque on 12-13 Aug 23.
 - b. New General Class Exam question pool will take effect 1 July 2023.
4. Business Meeting:
 - a. Approval of agenda: Correction to the agenda: "Approval of May minutes" replaced by "Approval of June minutes". Gail Tripp moved to approve the corrected agenda followed by Dave Finley seconding. Motion was approved.
 - b. Approval of minutes from 14 June 23 SARA meeting. Approval of minutes deferred to August meeting to include an addition to the minutes for bank signature updates and due to no large computer screen present. Henry Newton will provide text to update the June minutes.
5. Reports:
 - a. Treasury:
 - i. Henry Newton presented the Treasury Report for June 2023. There were no June debits. Income consisted of \$180 in dues from the June 2023 SARA meeting. The closing balance was \$11,978.30 and that amount contains TARA funds in the amount of \$645.45.
 - ii. The Kalman Memorial Fund remains static at \$513.34
 - b. ARES: Al Braun reported the Wednesday ARES net continues and the Thursday Tri-County net continues. The repeater continues to experience issues. Winlink server is online for telnet only at this time. VHF and HF antenna installation is planned.

- c. Charter School: No update.
- d. TARA: Bill Heller reported that there are no TARA students or officers currently in town.
- e. Repeater: The 146.680 repeater is continuing to have problems. Brad Smith volunteered to take over responsibility for reporting on repeater status.
- f. Lab Night: Lab night will happen on 26 July at 7pm.

6. Old Business:

- a. Field Day:
 - i. Members were encouraged to submit any photos for the web site.
 - ii. A discussion of Winter Field Day will be held at a later time as the date approaches.
- b. SARA Hamfest:
 - i. Jay Miller is arranging for the state ARES meeting to be held at the Hamfest.
 - ii. Henry Newton reported he has secured Dr. Ryan, MRO Director, as the Friday night dinner speaker.
 - iii. Henry Newton has secured the Masonic Lodge as the dinner location.
 - iv. Henry Newton has coordinated with Jacalito Food and obtained a cost of \$13 per person plus tax and no dessert for the Friday fajita plate dinner. For dessert SARA can likely get a sheet cake from John Brooks. Henry has not yet coordinated with Jacalito to finalize the food deal.
 - v. Henry Newton volunteered to ask EMRTC if they could have a presentation at the Saturday hamfest.
 - vi. We have not heard from Roberto's Food Truck about food for the hamfest.
 - vii. Dave Finley will contact MFJ about door prizes.
 - viii. Albuquerque Boy Scouts were contacted to see if they can provide assistance in traffic control at the event. The CAP has a prior commitment.

- ix. VLA tours does not believe they will have the bandwidth to do a tour the day before their Fall Open House.
 - c. Pre-meeting dinner: Dinner is scheduled at 6pm at Yo Mama's prior to the August meeting.
7. New Business:
- a. Chile Triathlon signup. A signup sheet was passed around for volunteers. The 442.125 repeater will be used as the primary repeater to avoid problems with the 168.68 repeater. Bill Heller will request that the repeater be disconnected from SkyHub Link during the event.
 - b. EOC Work Party. 9 September at 7AM is scheduled for a work party for antenna installation.
8. Good of the Organization: None
9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 830pm.

Submitted by Rick Lively, KI5GDB, 15 July 2023

12 July 2023 Meeting Attendees

SARA 12 July 2023 Meeting Attendees

#	Last name, first name	Call	email if first attendance	Notes
1	NEWTON, HENRY	KC5WY4		
2	Li - Richard	KI5GDB		
3	Ray Gilkey	N0RBT		
4	Alice Bannan	AD6UY		
5	DAVE FINLEY	N1RZ		
6	Brad Smith	KD5JN1		
7	Ashley Goehring			
8	Adam Steinke			
9	Matthew Price	KI5KEW		
10	James Price	K4JEP		
11	Al Buxton	KC5BX		
12	Sandy Braun	KB5UTX		
13	Robert Braison	K65GDL		
14	Gord Tripp	KI5AXZ		
15	William Heller	K6SNGN		
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2023 ARRL Rocky Mountain Division Convention

August 12 & 13 (Saturday & Sunday)
Saint Pius X High School
5301 Saint Josephs Dr NW
Albuquerque New Mexico



**Come and join us for a weekend of Amateur Radio
Save the Date... Aug 12th & 13th**

- *Indoor Swapfest and Vendors*
- *Forums and Presentations*
- *Food & Refreshments*
- *Special Event Station*
- *Banquet*
 - *With a Nationally Recognized Speaker*
- *Amateur Radio License Exams*
- *Hourly Door Prizes*
- *And Much More...*

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Volunteers needed! Contact us via website if interested | Program and prizes shown above represents current planning and may be revised