

Socorro Amateur Radio Association
Minutes for November 08, 2023 Meeting
By Rick Lively, KI5GDB

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 08 November 2023 at the EM Conference Room in the Socorro County Annex at 198 Neel Ave. Jim Lommen (SARA President) called the meeting to order at 0730 hours. Rick Lively (Secretary) took notes.

1. Introductions: None.
2. Program: None.
3. Announcements:
 - a. Winter Tailgate – Stoneface Tavern (ABQ) 27 January
 - b. Winter Field Day - 27-28 January
4. Business Meeting:
 - a. Approval of agenda: Bill Heller moved to approve the agenda and Henry Newton seconded. The motion was approved.
 - b. Approval of minutes from the 11 October 23 SARA meeting: Brad Smith moved to approve the minutes and Bill Heller seconded. The motion was approved.
5. Reports:
 - a. Treasury: Henry Newton presented the **Treasurer Report for Oct 2023**.
 - i. Debits included a check to Jim Lommen of \$2226.91 for the Gigaparts & Radioddity raffle prizes, a \$76.96 check to Brooks Grocery for donuts & sheet cake, \$100 donation to the Masonic Lodge #9 for the dinner location, and \$455.00 to Mi Jacalito for the Friday dinner.
 - ii. If SARA has to pay the Fire Academy approximately \$550 for rent of Academy space, then the total hamfest loss will be approximately \$830.
 - iii. Deposits included \$60 member dues, two dinner payments for \$40 via USPS, PayPay down load of \$405.72, and raffle cash of \$1741.
 - iv. The closing balance was \$11,288 and that amount contains TARA funds in the amount of \$645.45.
 - b. ARES:
 - i. Al Braun reported that the Wednesday ARES net and the Thursday Tri-County net are continuing.
 - ii. The VE session at the Hamfest had 10 participants with 19 tests administered. 5 individuals achieved Technician licenses, 1 passed both Technician and General, and 1 passed Technician, General, and Extra. Congratulations to all!

- c. Charter School: No update.
 - d. TARA:
 - i. Bill Heller reported that 6-8 people are attending meetings.
 - ii. The club participated in the School Club Roundup.
 - iii. Housecleaning is in progress for the club room.
 - iv. An autotuner is on order.
 - e. Repeater: Brad Smith reported that there is a plan to upgrade the DSTAR router.
 - f. Lab Night: Lab night will be held on 29 November at 6pm.
6. Old Business:
- a. Pre-meeting dinner: Dinner was held at 6pm at Yo Mama's prior to the meeting.
 - b. Hamfest: Many thanks to Paul Hardin and the Socorro Historical Society for the loan of their projector for the hamfest dinner on 20 Oct 2023.
7. New Business:
- a. Christmas dinner will be hosted by Jim Lommen on 11 December in lieu of the December SARA meeting.
 - b. A motion was made to initiate the process for a dues increase to \$20 for individuals and \$30 for families. This will require amending the club bylaws. Bear Albrecht made the motion and Brad Smith seconded. The motion passed.
8. Good of the Organization: None
9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 0827 hours.

Submitted by Rick Lively, KI5GDB, 4 January 2024

08 November 2023 Meeting Attendees

SARA 8 November 2023 Meeting Attendees

#	Last name, first name	Call	email if first attendance	Notes
1	Lively, Rick	KI5GDB		
2	William Heller	K6SNGN		
3	Ray Calkins	N0RBT		
4	Anne Bowman	AD6UY		
5	Boswell James	KA5SIW		
6	Brian Abrecht	W5VZB		
7	HENEY NEWTON	KC5WYA		
8	Smith Brad	KD5JNI		
9	Groening Ashley			
10	Jim Lommen	KC7QY		
11	Sandy Brown	KB5YFX		
12	Al Brown	AC5BX		
13	ROBERT COLLIS	AF5VR		
14	Tess Andersen	KJ5PCM		
15	Chantel Flores	KG5OCI		
16	Robert Greiner	KG5GOL		
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