

Socorro Amateur Radio Association
Minutes for January 10, 2024 Meeting
By Rick Lively, KI5GDB

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 10 January 2024 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: Bill Heller gave a presentation on The Inovato Ham Clock.
3. Announcements:
 - a. Winter Tailgate – Stoneface Tavern (ABQ) 27 January
 - b. Winter Field Day - 27-28 January
4. Business Meeting:
 - a. Approval of agenda: Henry Newton moved to approve the agenda and Mathew Price seconded. The motion was approved.
 - b. Approval of minutes from the 8 November 23 SARA meeting: Jon Spargo moved to approve the minutes and Mathew Price seconded. The motion was approved.
5. Reports:
 - a. Treasury: Henry Newton presented the Treasurer Report for January 2024.
 - i. Debits included a check to Jim Lommen of \$720.63 which included a DSTAR computer, SARA webhosting, and M-mountain site rental.
 - ii. There were no deposits.
 - iii. The closing balance was \$10,257.37 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. Communications was lost in Socorro when a construction company cut the fiber. There was no ARES activation. Cell phone service and internet were interrupted. Landlines were not impacted.
 - c. Charter School: Jon Spargo reported that 2 students are participating. They refurbished a ground plane antenna and built another.
 - d. TARA:
 - i. Bill Heller reported that students return from break January 15.

- ii. Replacement repeater system obtained by Tyler but needs installation.
 - e. Repeater: Brad Smith reported that a new gateway computer was installed for the DSTAR repeater. No news on EM repeater.
 - f. Lab Night: Lab night will be held on 24 January at 6pm.
6. Old Business:
- a. Pre-meeting dinner: Dinner was held at 6pm at Yo Mama's prior to the meeting.
 - b. There was a discussion about the proposed dues increase and it was decided to investigate removing the amount from the bylaws so that a dues change doesn't require changing the bylaws.
7. New Business:
- a. Rick Lively requested the renewal of the web hosting and domain name in the amount of \$101.67. He was reimbursed. A motion was made to allow renewal in the future without requiring permission at a meeting as long as the amount doesn't increase more than 20%. Brad Smith made the motion and Bill Heller seconded. The motion was approved.
8. Good of the Organization: None
9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 0824 hours.

Submitted by Rick Lively, KI5GDB, 12 February 2024

10 January 2024 Meeting Attendees

SARA 10 January 2024 Meeting Attendees

#	Last name, first name	Call	email if first attendance	Notes
1	Lively, Rick	KI5GDB		
2	HENRY NEWTON	KC5WYA		
3	Anne Bowman	AD6UY		
4	Ray Collins	N0RBT		
5	PT Brown	AC5TX		
6	Samuel Brown	KB5UTX		
7	James Price	K4JED		
8	Matthew Rice	KI5VEW		
9	Jim Linnell	KC7QY		
10	Bill Heller	K6JNN		
11	Bill Albright	W5VZB		
12	Ashley Goehring			
13	Jon Spargo	KC5NTW		
14	Smith, Brad	KD5JNI		
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