

Socorro Amateur Radio Association
Minutes for March 13, 2024 Meeting
By Rick Lively, KI5GDB

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 13 March 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 1930 hours. Rick Lively (Secretary) took notes.

1. Introductions: None.
2. Program: Jim Lommen (KC7QY) gave a presentation on **License Renewal Through CORES**.
3. Announcements:
 - a. Tailgate – American Legion Parking Lot (ABQ), 16 March
 - b. Eclipse QSO Party – 8 April
 - c. New Mexico QSO Party – 13 April
 - d. Alien City Hamfest – 11 May (Roswell)
 - e. ARRL Rocky Mtn Division Convention – 12-13 July (St. George, UT)
 - f. Duke City Hamfest – 20-22 September (UNM Continuing Education Center)
4. Business Meeting:
 - a. Approval of agenda: A motion and second were made to approve the agenda and the motion passed.
 - b. Approval of minutes from the 14 February 2024 SARA meeting: A motion and second were made to approve the minutes and the motion passed.
5. Reports:
 - a. Treasury: Henry Newton presented the Treasurer Report for February 2024.
 - i. SARA entered February 2024 with \$10257 and left with the same amount. SARA had no debits or income.
 - b. ARES:
 - i. Al Braun reported that the Wednesday ARES net, the Thursday Tri-County net, and the Socorro County ARES Group net are continuing.
 - c. Charter School: John Spargo reported that there are 2 charter school students and 2 adults studying for exams. A VE session for 28 April was proposed.
 - d. TARA: Bill Heller reported that TARA is currently on break.

- e. Repeaters: Bill Heller reported that he replaced the TARA repeater with a new repeater provided by Skyler W0SKY and it is now functioning. Note that Tech police department provided transportation.
 - f. Lab night: 27 March
6. Old Business:
- a. Pre-meeting dinner: Dinner was held at 6pm at Yo Mama's prior to the meeting.
 - b. Jornada Trail Run – 17 February. There were 8 participants as spotters. There were some hiccups with the repeater.
7. New Business:
- a. Nominating Committee for election of officers: Jim Boswell will organize the committee.
 - b. Discussion of the upcoming eclipse QSO Party.
 - c. Discussion of NM QSO Party. Bill Heller will try to organize TARA participation.
 - d. Socorro Hamfest future: The 2024 event will be cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. A Spring or Summer timeframe for the 2025 event will be investigated. Rick will update the website.
 - e. SkyWarn: Jon Spargo will make contact about SkyWarn training.
8. Good of the Organization: None
9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 2057 hours.

Submitted by Rick Lively, KI5GDB, 7 April 2024

13 March 2024 Meeting Attendees

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#	Name	Call	email if first attendance	Notes
1	Kick Lively	KIS6DB		
2	HENRY NEWTON	KCSW4H		
3	Bill Heller	KGSNGN		
4	Ray Colkins	NQRB5		
5	Anne Beaman	AD6UY		
6	Sander Braun	KBSGIX		
7	AS O'Brien	AC5BX		
8	PEAVEY	K9PV		
9	Jim Boswell	KASSIW		
10	Jon Spargo	KCSNTW		
11	Tess Anderson	KJ5BCM		
12	Robert Collins	AISNR		
13	James Price	K4JEP		
14	Brad Smith	KDSJNL		
15	Jim Lamm	KC7QY		
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