

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

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 10 April 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: we were joined by a visitor, Katie Grabowski of VLA Array Operations. Introductions were made.
2. Program: None.
3. Announcements:
 - a. New Mexico QSO Party – 13 April
 - b. Alien City Hamfest – 11 May (Roswell)
 - c. ARRL Rocky Mtn Division Convention – 12-13 July (St. George, UT)
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 13 March 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 March 2024.
 - i. SARA entered March with \$10257.
 - ii. There was \$35 check to Jim Lommen for his payment of SARA license renewal fee with his credit card.
 - iii. There was \$10 in dues income from Christopher Duniphan, KF7SPH.
 - iv. SARA left March with \$10232 and that includes \$645 of TARA holdings.
 - 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. Winlink check-ins are now permitted.
 - c. Charter School:
 - i. John Spargo reported that there are 2 charter school students and 2 adults ready for exams. A VE session for 28 April was confirmed.
 - ii. John is also pursuing SkyWarn training for the club.

- d. TARA: Bill Heller reported that the Tech EE and Physics departments invited students to the VE session. Workman 101 is confirmed for the session and 4-5 students have said they are attending.
 - e. Repeaters: Brad Smith reported that some noise was present on the repeater for the last ARES net.
 - f. Lab night: 24 April
6. Old Business:
- a. Nominating Committee has approved current officers for the June election.
 - b. Eclipse QS. 1 club member participated with 10 contacts.
7. New Business:
- a. Field Day – June 22-23
 - b. Lab Day for Tech / Charter School students was discussed. The consensus was that this would be a good way to grow the club.
 - c. Other – Brad Smith presented some photos of his eclipse trip to Texas.
8. Good of the Organization: None
9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 2030 hours.

Submitted by Rick Lively, KI5GDB, 5 May 2024

10 April 2024 Meeting Attendees

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#	Name	Call	email if first attendance	Notes
1	Rick Lively	KISGDB		
2	Bill Heller	KESNGN		
3	HENRY NEWTON	KCSWYA		
4	Roy Aho	NORBT		
5	Rene Gama	ADGUY		
6	Tess Anderson	KJ5RCM		
7	Robert Collins	AT5NR		
8	James Boswell	KASSIW		
9	Al Baran	AC5BX		
10	Sandra Braun	KB5UFX		
11	And Smith	KD5JNE		
12	Jim Lommen	KC7QY		
13	Jon Spargo	KC5NTW		
14	Robert Brainer	KG5GOL		
15	Katie Gabor			
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