

Socorro Amateur Radio Association
Minutes for July 9, 2025 Meeting
By Rick Lively, KI5GDB

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 9 Jul 2025 at the Socorro County Emergency Management Building at 198 Neel Ave. Robert Collins (SARA President) called the meeting to order at 1930 hours. Rick Lively (Secretary) took notes.

1. Introductions: None.
2. Program: None.
3. Announcements:
 - a. Socorro Hamfest — July 11-12
 - b. Socorro Chile Harvest Triathlon — August 1-2
 - c. Alamogordo Hamfest — August 30
 - d. Duke City Hamfest — September 19-21
 - e. Socorro County Historical Society Meeting — August 19, 2PM
 - f. 80th Anniversary of the Owl Bar — August 19
4. Business Meeting:
 - a. Approval of agenda: Two announcements were added to the agenda. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda subject to the updates, and the motion passed.
 - b. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of 11 June 2025 and the motion passed.
5. Reports:
 - a. Treasury: Henry Newton presented the Treasurer Report for June 2025.
 - i. SARA entered June 25 with \$10342.07
 - ii. Debits include ARRL insurance for \$200
 - iii. Deposits include dues and some upfront payments for the Hamfest for \$410
 - iv. SARA left June with \$10552.07
 - 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:
 - i. John Spargo reported that 1 student got a license this year.
 - ii. Recruiting for the new school year begins middle of August.
 - iii. The exam manual is still good for another year.
 - d. TARA: Bill Heller reported that he sent invites out for the SARA Hamfest.
 - e. Repeaters:
 - i. It was reported that the EM repeater has still been chirping.
 - ii. Megalink is still down.

- f. Lab night: 30 July
- 6. Old Business:
 - a. Contact information for new licensees.
 - b. Field Day
 - i. 215 contacts + 5 FT8
 - c. Hamfest
 - i. Call for Volunteers — Zoom meeting July 10 at 7 PM
 - 1. Banquet — Friday 3-5 PM setup
 - 2. Hamfest — Friday 1-3, Saturday 7-9 setup
 - 3. Registration / Raffle Tickets at front desk
 - 4. Misc. other — parking, CAP will handle traffic control
- 7. New Business:
 - a. Call for meeting presentation ideas, 15-30 minutes
 - b. Chile Harvest Triathlon — 1-2 August — Call for cowbells
- 8. Good of the Organization:
 - a. NM QSO Party – SARA place 5th in high score and 2nd in number of counties activated in very difficult conditions.
- 9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at approximately 2030 hours.

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July 12 Hamfest VE Session



ARRL VEC
TEST SESSION REPORT

TEST SITE: Socorro, NM TEST DATE: 2025.07.12

Exam Elements	2	3	4	Total
Pass (or exam credit)	4	1	0	5
Fall	4	0	0	4
Total	8	1	0	9

New License Class Earned	Technician	General	Extra	Total
	4	1	0	5
Candidates who did not earn an upgrade or an initial license at this session				4
Total Candidates Served by this Session				9

09 July 2025 Meeting Attendees

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#	Name	Call	email if first attendance
1	Rick Livak	KI5GDB	
2	Robert Greiner	KG5GOL	
3	Bill Heller	K65NBN	
4	HENRY NEWTON	KC5WYA	
5	ROBERT COLLINS	AI5NR	
6	Tess Anderson	KJ5DCM	
7	Jon Spargo	KC5NTW	
8	Jim Lamm	KC7QY	
9	Bruc Smith	KD5JNL	
10	Sandy Braun	KB5GIX	
11	Al Braun	KC5BX	
12	Anne Bowman	AD6UY	
13	Ray Callens	NØRBT	
14	Jim Boswell	KAS5IW	KAS5IW@yahoo
15	William Anderson	KI5HQI	
16	JAMES PRICE	K4JEP	
17	Matthew Price	KI5VEW	
18	LENORE HILL	KE4PAB	
19	JACK HILL	KM4MB6	
20	Ray Callens	NØRBT	