

Socorro Amateur Radio Association
Minutes for June 10, 2026 Meeting
By Rick Lively, KI5GDB

This document contains the minutes of the SARA meeting on 10 June 2026 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. Announcements:
 - a. Field Day — June 27-28, 2026
 - b. SARA Hamfest — Saturday, July 11, 2026
 - c. Chile Harvest Triathlon — August 1, 2026
 - d. SARA dues are due this month
3. Business Meeting:
 - a. Approval of agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda and the motion passed.
 - b. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of 13 May 2026 and the motion passed.
 - c. Election: All current officers agreed to serve another term. A vote was held and all current officers were unanimously approved:
 - i. President – Robert Collins
 - ii. Vice President – Brad Smith
 - iii. Treasurer – Henry Newton
 - iv. Secretary – Rick Lively
 - v. Past President – Jim Lommen
4. Reports:
 - a. Treasury: Henry Newton gave the treasurer report for May 26:
 - i. SARA entered May 26 with \$10,915.05
 - ii. There were \$252.77 in debits
 - iii. Income consisted of several dues payments and two Hamfest banquet purchases.
 - iv. SARA left May with \$10,932.28 which includes \$645.45 of TARA funds.
 - 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. 1 adult completed and obtained license
 - ii. 1 kid is studying
 - iii. Ground strap needs to be repaired at building where station is located.
 - iv. John Spargo needs to buy manuals for the new version of the Technician exam. A motion was made to approve 5 x \$20 for books and was approved.

- d. TARA: Bill Heller reported that TARA is quiet due to final exams.
- e. Repeaters: No update.
- f. Lab night: 24th June (7 PM)
- g. 2026 Hamfest Committee: The dinner speaker will be Pieter Kotze, NRAO, who will speak on the ngVLA. Weekly meeting are ongoing.
- 5. Old Business
 - a. Trailer paperwork: Adam has the paperwork. SARA just needs to complete.
 - b. Hamfest 2026: Online registration is open.
- 6. New Business:
 - a. NMDHSEM RACES support: More information is needed. It was suggested to contact the Red Cross and the Emergency Manager for information on how RACES is activated and what the club responsibilities would be.
 - b. 2026 Field Day:
 - i. Set up at 8 AM in San Antonio
 - ii. 80m operation will be attempted
 - iii. Dinner at 5 PM (potluck)
 - iv. A motion was made and approved to authorize \$150 for John Spargo to purchase food.
 - c. Chile Harvest Triathlon — August 1, 2026
- 7. Good of the Organization: No update.
- 8. Presentation: None.
- 9. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 2028 hours.

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10 June 2026 Meeting Attendees

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#	Name	Call	email if first attendance	Notes
1	Rick Lively	KI5GDJ		
2	Jim Boswell	KA5STW		
3	HENRY NEWTON	KC5WYA		
4	Robert Griner	KG5GOL		
5	Jim Lammert	KC7BY		
6	Bob	N0KBT		
7	Ane Bur	AD6UY		
8	William Anderson	KI5HAI		
9	Seon Robinson ^(FM)	KM7CLK		
10	Brad Smith	KD5JNT		
11	JACK HILL	KM4MB6		
12	LENORE HILL	KF4PAB		
13	Tess Anderson	KJ5OCM		
14	Robert Collins	AI5NR		
15	Tom Spargo	KC5NTW		
16	Tom Price	K4JEP		
17	Howard Peavey	K9PV		
18	AL Brown	AE5BX		
19	Sandy Braun	KB5YIX		
20	William Heller	K6STEN		
21	Rear Albray	K5VZB		