

Paradise Amateur Radio Society (PARS)
Club Meeting Minutes
February 6, 2017

6:30 – 7:00 Meet and Greet

7:00 Pledge of Allegiance

There were 9 in attendance plus 2 guests from the Sheriff's Radio Communication Reserve.

Moment of Silence

In honor of Nicklaus Burgess, Silent Key on January 19, 2017, age 28.

After the silence, Stephen McDermott (W6AKF) indicated that he has offered to help remove antennas from the property if they request help and that he offered to help with dealing with the radios but the family has not yet determined the plans. It was also mentioned that the items could be placed for sale on our website with proceeds going to the family and the Sheriff's Radio Communications Reserves said that if they are stuck, they do accept donations.

The agenda was modified to allow Mike Kaliczak (N6NIX) to do the presentation on 60 meter frequency use and antennas. An excellent presentation and if anyone wishes to buy one of the antennas and necessary baluns, let him know. The secretary can provide contact information.

Officer Reports

- President – Jim Tyranski (K66UDW)
Plans on getting involved, to a degree, with ARES had met with Dale Anderson from the Butte County ARES group.

This spurred a discussion AREAS which we decided to cover at this time in the agenda. Several had comments and we were reminded that not all wish to be involved with ARES and that those that do wish to be involved, may not wish to be in the field. Doug Poppelreiter (KD6LOK) and Grant Hunsicker (KK6FKW) attended the last ARES meeting in Chico and though it may be interesting to simply update the association on ARES progress on a monthly meeting but clearly not turn it into an ARES club or meeting. Grant Hunsicker indicated that we now have control of the website and the number one thing is to gain members to help. Weldon Bauman (KJ6IOD) offered to provide his training material from the ARRL if it will be helpful.

Jim Tyranski also thanked everyone for coming out in the rain.

- Vice – President – Doug Poppelreiter (KD6LOK) recapped a little more of the ARES meeting and noted that he fully intends to be involved and that mostly, if dispatched, it appears that ARES volunteers would be in reception centers and provide communications for families.
- Treasurer
The Treasurer indicated that we have \$726.61 in the bank.
- Secretary
Minutes were approved with correction noted by Fred Pausch (KM6AGT) and gratefully accepted by the secretary.

Old Business

- Caps, Badges and T-Shirts
Fred Pausch was wearing a new pocketed T-Shirt with his name and call sign above the pocket . . .very sharp, and yes, the shirt looked great too!! Fred indicated that we need a better logo that will be provided to Grant Hunsicker from Jim Tyranski and then people need to determine what type they want. Some additional discussion was held regarding colors and it was determined to stay with blue with gold lettering. Grant will work on some type of order form and then Fred can get pricing.
- ARRL Chapter Party
No response from the ARRL. No additional discussion was held other than perhaps throwing our own party.
- Emergency Preparedness Involvement
This was covered earlier in the meeting.

New Business

- Stephen McDermott raised the topic of having received only 7 membership payments for 2017 so far. After much discussion it was determined that Jim Tyranski and Stephen McDermott would scrub the list and prepare labels or give them to Grant to prepare labels and then we would revisit sending a new postcard to all potential hams on the ridge sometime in March.

Member Comments and Questions

- None others