

RAMS Meeting Minutes

P O Box 2951

Orangevale, CA 95662

Date: Nov 10, 2016

Present: 11 Members, no guests

7.:00 P.M. Meeting called to order by President Steve Bickford, N6AE welcoming everyone.

Secretary's Report: October meeting elections with Gary Gray elected Secretary. Three former Board of Directors have discontinued ACTIVE membership.

Treasurer's Report: Approved as of this date

Beginning balance		1024.07
Membership dues	15.00	
Raffle	6.00	
Total Deposits		21.00
PG&E billing 9/16 – 10/16		-31.47
Ending Balance		\$1,013.60

- 2 Meter Net/Repeaters were discussed concerning Who owns What, how is power supplied, 220-Link is down due to power outage some time ago.
- ASK DAVE U-Tube should be looked at by anyone/everyone preparing to take ANY ARRL test.
- Next VE Sessions 19 NOV 2016 – See Joe Cardoza, KA6ROM for details.
- Sacramento Valley Section: sites reviewed for good information available on them.
- American Legion 20 Meter radio activity 11 Nov, Veterans' Day K9TAL.
- PRESENTATION: U-Tube Video "Calling CQ" and how it should be done. Members encouraged to NOT get "MIKE FRIGHT" but carry a conversation when on the air. Recommended future discussion on "Station Grounding" as it is considerable importance for both Base and Mobile stations.
- Presentation was followed by a short/lively discussion of Long Wire Antennas in Maritime use.
- PacificCon: Question of Mobile Radio in CA to be restricted as is Mobile Phone use? ARRL will take Wait and See approach.
- House bill to limit Antenna height in CCR neighborhoods. Again, ARRL will Wait and See.
- Pony Express Christmas Card ride is to be between Pollock Pines and Placerville so will have little impact on RAMS.
- Coax cable of unknown type was offered to RAMS members.
- MEETING ADJOURNED: 2012 hrs. (8:12 p.m.)