

RAMS Meeting
PO Box 2951
Orangevale, CA 95662
September 10, 2015

Present: 12 in attendance

The meeting was called to order by Steve Bickford, N6AE afterwards he welcomed everyone.

Secretary's Report: July 9, 2015 minutes was approved

Treasurer's Report:

Beginning balance	\$846.85
Withdraws	\$ 68.11
Deposits	<u>\$133.98</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 912.72

Dennis announced he will not be at the October meeting.

Board of Directors: Steve stated Glenn, WA7SPY is working on the repeater; there is a problem with the 220 link and its down. Steve stated Glenn will order a module for the repeater – cost will be approximately \$45.00 plus tax, shipping/handling. The RAMS will credit Glenn the cost of the module towards his portion of the PG&E bill.

Next VE Session: The date for the VE session was moved to September 26, 2015 Location- LDS Church, Hazel & Cherry. Refer to the RAMS website W6HIR.com for future dates of the VE Sessions.

2 Meter Net – average around 8 people.

10 Meter Net – average 2-3 people.

RAMS Web-Site Update – Minutes are posted on the About RAMS/Activities page.

Steve reviewed the following:

1) **ARRL Section, State and Division Conventions and Events**

FCC – ULS is down until September 10th

Sept. 11-13 Southwestern Division Convention, Torrance, CA.

Sept. 19 San Joaquin Valley Section Convention, Fresno, CA.

Sept. 26 Washington State Convention, Spokane Valley, WA.

Oct. 10-11 Pacific Northwest VHF Conference, Issaquah, WA.

2) **Sacramento Valley Section**

- Public Service Event Opportunity – Overlook Endurance Runs on October 18, 2015. If you are interested in volunteering please email k6sat@arrl.net
- WPARC Hamfest is Saturday, September 19th at McBean Park in Lincoln.
- North Hills Radio Club will hold their Hamfest on Sunday, May 16, 2016.

New Business:

RAMS Board of Director's Election:

The following Board was elected for 2015/16:

President	Steve Bickford, N6AE
Vice President	Ron Norton, KJ6XI
Secretary	Cathy Lomax, KJ6LBU
Treasurer	Dennis Smazenko, KK6BEQ

Directors at Large: **Jim Lomax, AB6OP**
Walt Godecke, KA6MYU
Dan Platte, N6TNI
Roy Moore, KB6UT
Doc Matke, K6HLO

Steve, N6AE will call a meeting of the Board of Directors in October to review the By-Laws regarding the time of elections.

Focus Topic: Steve's presentation was on the Motorola Standard R56

The next RAMS meeting will be October 8, 2015

Dues \$15.00/yr are due October 1st.