

**URAC General Meeting September 16, 2022**



**Meeting called to order 7:02 pm**

Recorded

**Attendance:**

Pres	Steve Mandich	K6NT
Vice Pres	Tom Marinello	K6IGY
Treasurer	Gary Forister	N6HMR
Secretary	Treva Forister	N6HMS
Director	Bill Carter	W6AJ
Director	Martin Hochman	N6UB
Director	Scotty Butler	K6ZNL
Director	Tom Ciezki	KN6IPZ
Past Pres	Doug Dowds	W6HB
	Gina Mandich	KF6MYQ
	Mary Hochman	KN6MVP
	Bill Heather	KB6WKT
	Kristan Heather	
	Larry Fadden	KK6TXN
	Ivan Mikulich	KB6ATT
	Bob Grubic	NC6Q

**Treasurers report:**

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<b>JUNE synopsis:</b>	<b>16SEP</b>
<b>Income \$0</b>	<b>Income \$15.00</b>
<b>Expenses \$539.12</b>	Dues \$15.00
Insurance \$200.00	<b>Expenses \$0.00</b>
Field Day Tent \$224.45	Bank Balance \$4,055.45
Field Day Food \$114.67	
<b>Bank Balance \$4,040.45</b>	<b>- - Breakdown - -</b>
	Earmarked for Field Day \$0.00
<b>JUL ... No Changes</b>	General Fund \$4,055.45
<b>AUG ... No Changes</b>	<b>30 Members</b>
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**August Minutes** - Motion to approve Scotty, 2nd Gary; Approved

**Treasurer's report:** - Motion to approve Scotty, 2nd Tom M; Approved.

**Budget** - An annual budget is on hold until K6AA is up and running.

**Think Cafe** - 2nd Thursday lunch at 1:30. For September, 13 were accommodated in the meeting room.

**Holiday Party/Thieves Exchange** - Steve will write up the survey for Gary to send out in October to estimate participation on the 3rd Saturday, December 17th, 6-9pm, so the Think Cafe has time to rebook the room if we don't have enough commitment. The \$52 all inclusive price & \$45 w/o dessert was obtained by Gina. The *thieves exchange* was discussed, including a possible 're-gifting' of an item on hand. A motion to approve raffle prizes of \$100, \$50 & \$25 was made by Tom M, 2nd Doug.

**White Elephant Sale** - We were told that holding the sale at LA Maritime Mu would require 50% of proceeds to go to LA Parks/Rec or the Museum. We're waiting to see the documentation. Options were someone's front yard or the TRW swap meet.

**K6AA** - Hoping to check out operations & Tom M will remove fridge/stand possibly the 2nd week of October. No food or beverages at the station area. The main floor break room is available for coffee & fridge use. George should contact Doug for K6AA operation configuration.

**Nominating Committee** - Steve will put together a nominating committee this month.

**CA QSO Party (CQP)** - Oct 1 & 2, 11am - 11am. was mentioned by new member Bob Grubic NC6Q. Contact him for more info. Also, welcome to his wife Alicia Grubic N6DFF.

**Sam Lollar** - Ivan said Sam is a bit better after a recent operation.

**Queen Mary** - a fire main broke and flooded, so it won't open until Jan 1, 2023.

**Presentation** - there was no presentation.

**Meeting Closed 8:09.** Motion by Doug, 2nd Martin; approved.

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**January minutes** - *Items carried over:*

- o LAMM access - Steve will designate who will be responsible for, and will carry, the keys in the future.

**February minutes** - *Items carried over:*

- o Website - Doug will let Tom K6IGY know which *Members Only Documents* are obsolete.

**April Minutes** - *Items carried over:*

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**May Minutes** - *Items carried over:*

- o K6AA still needs operators to commit for Wed, Fri, & Sat. At present we have 12 interested: Doug (Thurs), John Linder (Sundays - interested in Packet cluster), Scotty, Tom Ciezky, George, Larry, Martin & Mary, Gary & Treva (Thurs - twice/mo), Ken Ota, and Steve.
- o Contacts have been paper-logged in the past since not all operators were computer literate. George will look into using the ACL logging program if a smart phone is used for a hot spot. Additional training would be necessary if we

don't use paper logs. Backing up online logs might not be possible if Wi-Fi access is not always accessible.

- Wi-Fi exists at the museum. Scotty will find out if operators will have access to use the museum's Wi-Fi. Doug doubted it, since individuals would have to sign in & out for the city to monitor any improper website usage. Doug suggested the Iowa Wi-Fi might be available for K6AA in the future.

**July Minutes** - *Items carried over.*

- **Tower** - Frozen arm needs to be fixed.
- **Trailer** - Steve will find someone who has a truck with a hitch (and a 2" ball) and tail light plug socket for transporting it to the CHP. Steve or Doug will ask Larry about the lights for the trailer. It's used twice a year; Field Day & International Lighthouse Lightship Weekend. It needs to be VIN stamped by CHP before registering with DMV for new tags. Doug will find out from his CHP contact if an appointment is needed to get a VIN for a 10 year tag.
- **Field Day** - Kristin Heather suggested writing LA Parks & Recreation about rewording the No Parking sign near the Marine Exchange to better clarify its application to the round pad, not the paved roadway, so Field Day stations can be set up at sites used in previous years by Sam & Ivan.