

# McARCS Board of Directors Meeting

## October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2009 17:30

### Introductions and Announcements

Present: Jim Cline, Diane Cline, Tim Hanna, Marcella Chandler, John Ragland, Cynthia Snider, Cody Snider, Nick Wharff

### Agenda

- Affiliation
  - WARS dissolution/merger
    - John Lemmer has drafted a McARCS constitution for submission to the FCC to grant club status to McARCS and transfer the WARS club callsign.
    - Propose a group of 3-4 people to finalize documents (Marcella, John?, Nick, Cynthia). WARS dissolution coming soon, so progress needs to be made quickly.
  - Insurance coverage/liability
    - WARS dues initially intended to cover newsletter printing/mailing and insurance coverage premiums.
    - WARS costs roughly \$500/year.
    - ARRL club membership
  - Changes from merger
    - Expectations from adopting dues structure: Regular newsletter, etc?
    - Rotating meeting location: Broadening of organization purpose?
- Events
  - Pumpkinfest/Jamboree on the Air
    - Jim and Eddie setting up antennas at 15:30 on Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.
    - Finish setting up on Saturday morning, help with the parade at 9:45, operate from 12:00-15:00.
    - Cynthia created new McARCS brochures.
    - Bazooka antenna for 80/40m, jpole for VHF, vertical for 20m?
  - Christmas dinner
    - December 10<sup>th</sup>.
    - Need at least 30 people to avoid a room charge.
    - RSVPs for head count. November 15<sup>th</sup> cutoff?
    - Send out emails to McARCS/WARS members, post on respective sites.
    - Invite Sheriff Tom Allman and/or OES Coordinator Shannon Barney.
  - Earthquake drill
    - 17 station checkins on countywide net from 13 communities, including Lake and Sonoma counties.
    - Suggestions for improving future drills: asking for priority traffic, taking non-essential traffic to other frequencies/repeaters to provide room for net control traffic, HF net.
    - Adding an emergency preparedness section to the McARCS website.
  - Harvest Ride

Good experience for ham participants.  
Submit comments/suggestions for improvement.

- Next meeting  
November 19<sup>th</sup>.  
Try to reserve party room at Round Table in advance, noisy lobby doesn't work well for conducting a meeting.  
Topics/agenda for next meeting:  
County repeater coverage map

Meeting concluded at 19:20.