Minutes of meeting on January 8, 2018 Meeting called to order at 1800 by Steve Turner, KJ6EIF

Members present: Steve Turner KJ6EIF, Tim Hanna WB9NJS, Jim Cline W6JRC, Caleb Cimmiyotti KK6UEV, Mike Carter KC6MGM

The meeting began with a presentation by Jared Chaney, OES, on the time-line for the first 24 hours of the Redwood fire. The time-line included activities by all law enforcement, fire services, and volunteer organizations involved in the fire.

Treasurers report: No report

There was a discussion about McARCS establishing a training program for people who want to obtain an amateur radio license. The discussion included how the training should be presented, what should be included in the presentation and how the examination would be conducted.

Steve Turner will determine if we can have teleconference locations in Ukiah, Fort Bragg and Willits. He will also explore the technical possibilities of having the presentations in other communities

Tim Hanna will begin preparation on the training materials. Other members will contribute to this effort for the portions of the training they will present.

A time line was developed to present five 1 ½ to 2 hour modules over a five week period culminating with a Saturday morning review followed by a testing session.

There was a discussion of the events that we will be supporting this year. The following events were identified:

April 28th – Redwood Coast 50K marathon (supported by WARS)

May - Human Race

May – Medical facility test

June 10th – Mendo Monster

October - Great Shake-out

December - Holiday dinner

As more events are identified they will be added to the list

There was a discussion about in-person meetings and on-air meetings. It was determined that in-person meetings would be held on odd numbered months and on-air meetings will be on even numbered months. The on-air meetings will follow the Wednesday night county-wide net on the first Wednesday of the month.

There was an election for officers for 2018. The results are:

President Mike Carter, KC6MGM Vice President Jim Cline, W6JRC Treasurer Tim Hanna, WB9NJS Secretary John Lemmer, W6FQX

The meeting adjourned at 2010

After the meeting, via email John Lemmer declined to accept the position of Secretary as he had that position for a number of years, not including 2017. He agreed to continue as Nets Coordinator, Webmaster of www.mcarcs.org, and Trustee of NC6MC.

Caleb Cimmiyotti, KK6UEV agreed via email to accept the position of Secretary.

Minutes provided by KC6MGM, edited by W6FQX for after meeting actions.