

California Historical Radio Society

Minutes of Board Meeting

July 11, 2015

Meeting held at Radio Central Kitchen

Board Members Present:

Philip Monego,
Richard Watts
Steve Kushman,
Jaime Arbona (recording)

Tom Bonomo,
Mike Adams
Scott Robinson
Denny Monticelli

Also Present

Bart Lee, Counsel

David Vasquez

Called to Order at 11:48 AM

1. Opening remarks

The Board expresses its' thanks to Seth Arp for selling CHRS items at Alameda Antiques Fair work and to Philip Monego for his work selling CHRS items on eBay.

2. ET Project

David Vasquez reports on archive.org which is an on-line archive of all manner of audio artifacts. Many of the posts there were originally posted by David on the BARM site and David suspects that our files are being copied and reposted there. Bart was advised. Suggestions are that archive.org be required to credit CHRS for the files that it uses. There followed a general discussion of how to respond. Suggestion made also that we supply the audio files with CHRS's logo and a link to our site. The question is losing 'clicks' on BARM and CHRS sites in favor of clicks to archive.org site.

2. Treasurer's report.

Richard reports that Philip's eBay and Seth's Alameda Faire both are generating good cash. Journal costs us some \$3,700. The shed was \$12,700; general discussion of how expensive the project was vs original estimates. Denny says we went for larger concrete pad and some aspects of the project required special inspections and coring. In effect, we spent \$10K in infrastructure to install a \$2,800 shed. Richard says insulation and electrical is going to cost us another \$4,000. Robert and Walter each donated an additional \$1,000 each toward this. General discussion on the matter of projecting costs on future projects. Mobile storage came in on budget by comparison.

Other expenditures: Replacement windows in Library may cost in excess of \$6,000. Philip Monego donating \$5,000 toward this. We're waiting for estimates from Marvin windows on

replacing windows in main gallery. Discussion of cost of the non-standard library windows. This cost determined to be unavoidable due to unique requirements of our window apertures.

3. Volunteer of the year

Cliff Farrell and Kevin Paine to be volunteers of the year. Acclamation.

4. Radio Day Update

Steve brings up matter of the waiver that must be signed when people go to buy anything at Radio Day. It was decided that there must be a Flea Market cashier's assistant who must get signed waiver for each sale. Also at the book store, etc. General discussion of verbiage of waiver. Discussion of maybe softening the verbiage that Steve passed around with a preliminary sentence and filling up the back with signature lines. Steve to provide new verbiage.

5. Steve reports on other issues: new donations and new volunteers lining up for Radio Day. 5,000 flyers ordered to promote event. Seth will distribute separate flyers for War of the Worlds performance. We will be streaming all events at auditorium. We bought screen for projection video which can also be used for movies in back yard. Sandwich boards being made by volunteers (four being constructed). All buyers must buy a yellow sheet that is proof of having purchased entrance and will be printed with schedule of activities and auction on back. Large signs with waiver being created; also a large version the day's program schedule. Discussion of relationship with Boys Scouts. Relationship has soured over the years behind issue with Scouts' stance on gay scoutmasters. However, this is now resolved. Bart addresses the issue of having minors as volunteers. Generally felt that this won't be pursued. Discussion of other logistics. Peter Finch and Mike to do auctioneering. Cliff to handle security. Good number of volunteers have stepped up. Carlos to grill on suggestion by Steve and Philip.

6. Project updates. Bathroom, shop and seismic work all being applied for under one permit. Discussion of lesson of shed costs (under estimate of cost) not being repeated in future projects. Discussion of flooring needed for library and hamshack. Both to get PVC tiles. A full pallet full must be ordered to get best price from manufacturer (min 1,200 sf but could be considerably larger area). Mike brings up the issue of low speed of CHRS wifi. Possibly purchasing Comcast for a similar price but for much faster speed. Mike to investigate and matter tabled until next meeting.

Tom brings up issue of moving hamshack to a different room. Possibly into alcove room directly across from the current hamshack. Combining shack, display space and maybe a conference room. Steve points out that the current space is larger than what we had at KRE and that we need as much display space as possible. Also that library should not be expanded at the expense of display space. Matter carried over to #7 following.

7. Setting relative priorities on the importance of the various aspects of CHRS toward our mission. Denny addresses the issue of our priorities in order to apportion space accordingly. Matter tabled to August Board meeting but it was agreed that this is a matter that must be determined.

8. Jim's radio donation – Entire Board adjourns for photo op for Jim Bradt 12:20 PM.

