

# MINUTES

## CALIFORNIA PUBLIC-SAFETY RADIO ASSOCIATION (CPRA) CHAPTER MEETING NOVEMBER 16, 2006 MARCH ARB, CA

### SUMMARY

**Meeting Host:** John Sarkissian, County of Riverside  
**Sponsors:** Larry Weber, The Sales Group, Tim Peters, Tech Knowledge  
**Secretary's Report:** Minutes from the October 06 meeting are posted on the CPRA web site.  
**Treasurer's Report:** See comments  
**Program:** Armed Forces Radio TV Service (AFRTS) Tour, March ARB  
**Attendance:** 57

### AGENDA

**Greeting – Ron Wong.** Ron opened the chapter meeting at 1030 hours. He welcomed everyone to the meeting. John Sarkissian recognized his sons serving in Iraq then lead the chapter in the Pledge of Allegiance. Ron asked all veterans to stand and be recognized. Ron introduced the sponsors for the meeting. He expressed sincere appreciation for their support.

**Meeting Orientation – John Sarkissian.** John provided information about the lunch arrangements. He also provided directions to AFRTS and asked people to walk or car pool to the facilities.

**Introductions - All.** New members were welcomed. Everyone in attendance was asked to introduce themselves.

**Meeting Schedule – Anna Holmes.** Anna presented information about the December 7<sup>th</sup> meeting at the Reagan Library. She noted the flyers have a corrected address. She reviewed the schedule. Frequency coordination will be at 0930. The rest of program including a nice buffet and background music will begin at 1100. All who have not made a reservation need to do so. Mike presented information about the January meeting. It will be held at the Hughes Center in Claremont on January 11, 2007. He asked people to note their menu preferences via the sign up sheets on the tables.

**Treasurer's Report – John Wright.** John reported the checking balance as \$49, 303.75. The merchant account is \$1,770.85. He reviewed the status of the CDs. The interest from the CDs is being rolled back into the accounts. Booth sales and registration for the Western Region Conference have been received in the amount of \$23,725.00. John commented about processing steps underway for American Express. Procedures will be ironed out soon.

**Executive Council Delegate – Richard Granado.** Richard provided updates regarding current issues.

**FCC Matters – Gary Gray.** Gary reported that the U.S. and Mexico signed a Protocol for sharing the 698-806 MHz spectrum (the "old" TV channels 52-60) in the area around the U.S./Mexican border. The Protocol is friendly to new technologies and offers band sharing flexibility. It was also noted that the Mexican TV channel 20 had been move to channel 21/22 to resolve interference problems it was causing. He reviewed other FCC actions and FCC dockets. Gary noted that copper thefts are occurring at broadcast and communications facilities. Additionally he commented that the FCC had dismissed the Cyren Call action as it is up to Congress to change existing provisions for auction of specified portions of the 700 MHz band.

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**Western Regional Conference – Bob Uribe.** Bob encouraged everyone to go to the CPRA website and see the latest information on the conference. He invited everyone to register. Also we have a need for volunteers. Adriana Spirescu is the chair person for volunteers. She can provide information about what is involved.

**Transition Administrator Report – Dave Buchanan.** No report this meeting.

**Commercial Introductions – Jack Daniel & Larry Weber.** Larry asked each of the company representatives to introduce themselves and give a brief comment about products and services provided by each one respectively.

**Other Business – Ron.** None reported.

**Meeting Adjourned.** The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 pm. Everyone was asked to be sure they had their ticket for the luncheon.

**Notes for the Record.** Following the luncheon, Gary Gray convened the Frequency Advisory Committee (FAC) meeting. Ongoing and new frequency requests were presented and acted upon.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Rowles  
Secretary

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