

# MARCI Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

**Jan 19, 2010**

The meeting was call to order at 7:08p.m. by the president Ed Skalecki, NI4MX, hosted by Frank Morton.

Those present constituted a quorum:

Ed Skalecki, NI4MX, President  
Jonelle Nabergail, KI4WSN, Vice President  
Roger Byron, KR4WS, Secretary  
Jim Woodson, KE4INM, Director  
Frank Morton, AC4MK, Treasurer  
Jerry Johnson AE4XW, Director  
(Absent Bruce Theroux, KJ4IFH, Director)

The minutes from the previous meeting were accepted as published on the club Web pages.

Treasurers Report was distributed, read by Frank, no discussion and filed for audit. The December 2009 reports were audited and approved. It was pointed out that the Newsletter does not have a budget. Expenses have been paid as occurring with some absorbed by the staff. The board approved budgeting \$25 per month.

Membership: We currently have 69 members. There were no new nominees. There was a discussion regarding eligible persons for membership.

Education: There was discussion regarding establishing a Technician Class to be conducted March 2nd. Roger will look into holding the class at the Lakewood Ranch Red Cross building. The timing set for completion before the next test session. The next VE testing will be March 20, 9:00 a.m. at the Red Cross.

The program situation was discussed. To keep the different radio presentation is good. Ham Radio Deluxe is a possibility and/or other digital software interfaces. Next month Jim will present the Elecraft K3.

There was a discuss about membership and how we might increase that number. MARCI's image, "That club is nothing more than an ARES group. They expect you become an ARES member and that's all they do." We need to change that image if it is not true.

There was some discussion regarding the 82 repeater. Recent tone board installation used the loaner board from the county. Our board needs reconditioning. A motion passed that approved funding the reconditioning effort.

Letters to active amateurs inviting their participation in our organization will be sent, approximately 50 in the first group, look to see the results. Two new members will more than pay for the effort. There was some discussion on the content. Copy of latest Newsletter, include separation of ARES from MARCUI, some discussion on all our different activities (classes, presentation on new radios and digital software interfaces), and of course, a membership form.

Old Business included discussion on possible activities, operations and programs for the new year. Honorary membership for Robby Terry (he provides access to the 82 repeater system and formerly Terry Communications.)

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted Roger Byron, KR4WS, Secretary