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NEXT MEETING:
7:30 pm Thursday
SEPT. 19,1996
Puget Auditorium

Well, summer's almost over, so it's about time to get our radio club hats back on and get to work. I hope you all had a good summer, because I sure did.

By now, those of you who are members should have had the opportunity to look over the proposed changes in the By-laws that I sent out several days ago. The Board discussion and recommendations are summarized later in this issue. I think it is especially important that we have a good turn-out at the September meeting to discuss this important matter. Having said that, I will have to admit to you that I won't be at either the Sept. or Oct. meetings-----do as I say, not as I do!

THE PREZ SEZ

Welcome back! I hope the two months off this summer worked out well for you and your families.

I'd like to see as many of you as possible at the September 19 meeting, since we have a fair amount of business to transact. The biggest item is the proposed amendments to the By-Laws, which you should be aware of through a separate mailing to all paid members. Some additional revisions were suggested at the Board meeting of Sept. 5 (published later in this issue). In the event that the proposals are adopted, some housekeeping motions will be necessary to get our current structure in sync with the new By-Laws. We NEED you there!

Al N7VOF

TREASURER'S REPORT

Corrected Balance 5-31-96		\$1735.86
Insurance (trailer)	(325.00)	
misc. expenses (Jim Von Seggern)	(66.54)	
trailer supplies (Childs Corn.)	(6.50)	
total expenses June-August		(398.04)
Balance f:-31-96		\$1337.82

Respectfully submitted
Chaz Hitz N7NNS, Treasurer

Summary of the Board Meeting of Sept. 5, 1996_____

The previously circulated proposed changes to the RAPS By-laws were discussed, and the Board recommends the following further changes:

ARTICLE I no further changes
ARTICLE II no further changes
ARTICLE III Section B delete the phrase "shall not receive mailings from
PARS and".
ARTICLE IV no further changes
ARTICLE V no further changes
ARTICLE VI Section D after "attend to similar administrative duties", add
the phrase "including oversight of publication of the newsletter."
ARTICLE VII no further changes
ARTICLE VIII no further changes
ARTICLE IX Section F, change to "Standing committees consist of:
 1. Budget committee--no change in text
 2. Nominating committee--no change in text
 3. Ham of the Year Award committee--no change in text
 add section C Ad Hoc Committees
 1. Ad hoc committees for various functions may be
 appointed as necessary, including but not
 limited to social events, contests, public
 service, fund-raising, education and training
ARTICLE X Section A: strike the phrase "agreed upon by the membership.
 Section B: strike the phrase "at a time and place agreed upon by
 the Board of Directors."
ARTICLE XI no further changes
ARTICLE XII no further changes

With these further changes noted, the Board recommends the proposed By-Laws revisions be adopted.

Public Service Opportunities

EARS (Eastside Amateur Radio Service)--interested parties contact John Black
W7HIL 746-7611 or Chuck Stroehrer WA7EBH 353-5303. Always room for more
help in this community activity.

Radio gear for sale

Yeasu FT-757&X CAT system with antenna tuner, microphone, Astron 20 amp
12V power supply \$750.00
Tower, Rohn 25G 70' with anchors and guys, good condition \$350.00
Antenna TH7DXX \$350.00
Paddle keyer \$25.00
Headphones, Telex with microphone \$65.00
All items are like new. Contact Chuck Graff K7CHV at 392-5866 for details.
Leave message if not home.

At the September 19 meeting, the program will be presented by none other than our esteemed V-P. Bob Adams KJ7BP on the history of radio in aviation. The October program will be presented by Jim Hossack W7LS and Stuart Whiting KB7UUX on how ham radio helped make a bad event into a much safer one.

That seems to be about all there is for this time. As I mentioned before, will be gone Sept. and most of October. I expect that there will be some changes in the club by the time I get back. I hope not so many that I won't recognize it. I'll think about you all while I'm in sunny Spain and southern France, but probably not for a lot of time. Thanks in advance to Chaz, Tom and Al, who have kindly (reluctantly(?)) consented to cover for me while I'm gone. See ya' in November.

73 de Jim KC7FLH