## Sun City Center Amateur Radio Club Minutes General Membership Meeting, March 6, 2013

Meeting was called to order at 2:05 PM by President Al Clark, KJ4FUH. Rick Sochon, N1OV, led us in the pledge of allegiance and delivered the Invocation.

Attendance - 23 members

<u>Quorum</u> - Yes

**Treasurer's Report** - Michael Friolet, AG3K, reported a balance of \$3,764.55.

<u>Secretary's Report</u> - Jim Key, KI4TMX, reported that all Meeting Minutes are posted on the SCCARC web site when completed. He then reviewed the SCCARC Website.

<u>Presidents Remarks</u> – Al reported that documentation was submitted designating Bob Goldberg, WA4M, as KE4ZIP Station Trustee. He also reviewed topics that members had requested to be presented at meetings, and solicited others. He also advised that we need volunteers for exercises, parades, Fun-Fest, and officers. He also reminded that Fun Fest is 03/16/2013; volunteers desired. Also, Hurricane Drill in May. Holiday Party is 12/9/2013...Rita working up details now. Spring Picnic is 4/6/2013...Tickets from Michael...WA4M & N8PF are cooking. Training tomorrow (3/7/2013 in Radio Room at 1030 by Don Chinnery, WU9T, for Hospital Team & at 0900 by Rick for others interested in programming their HTs. Advised that Annette Friolet, N4MAF, and Nick Avella, KJ4ASY, had been under the weather...Good to see Annette back with us today.

David advised license training was in progress...1 Tech & 1 General...Bob (if in town) or KPARC will conduct testing when needed.

Rick reviewed his 3/4/2013 email, re: Member Event Requirements. Also, recommended pulling SCC area map from old directory when new one comes imminently. Also, advised of recycled water pipeline on SR 674 & South Pebble Beach...Will try to get distribution to homes arranged. Also, reviewed Diamond after-market antennas for HTs, which significantly increase range.

John Bowker, WA2WEN, advised radio low power broadcasting station for SCC area still being considered...please let him know if have any ideas.

Bob reported on recent malicious interference nailed by FCC, with stiff penalties...Also, Orlando Ham Cation was very successful.

Dick Bishop, W4NWD, advised of malicious interference on NI4CE repeater, & of efforts to run the dirty dog down...Also, possibility of Fox Hunt at Picnic...Also, efforts underway to track the gremlin in the W4KPR repeater down...Also, will have Equipment for sale at next KPARC monthly meeting (3/11/2013).

10-minute break in meeting for refreshments, stretching and nose-powdering.

Michael conducted 50-50 drawing...Annette won \$15 & Bob won \$2.

Program - Al reviewed the VX-7 Programming Software, and Rick reviewed & demonstrated repeater functions (voice recorder, time of day, autopatch, etc).

Meeting adjourned at 3:45 PM

Jim Key, KI4TMX, Secretary