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Minutes of the Annual Meeting – January 13, 2024

The 2024 annual meeting was held in-person in rooms E, F, G at El Camino Hospital in Mountain view and also online via Zoom, hosted by Dave Koberstein N9DK

08:30 Zoom link opened with radio and telephone support provided so members could check that they could use all the zoom features needed for the meeting.

09:00 Meeting called to order by Grant Elliot, KK6FMQ, President, on Saturday, January 13, 2024. There were 32 members present in person and 6 members attending by zoom. There were also 6 guests.

Welcome, Preliminary Business and Introductions:

NOTE: MSC means the motion was seconded and carried unanimously

Grant welcomed everyone to the meeting and recognized City ECs present.

Yes	Grant Elliot	President	KK6FMQ
Yes	Dave Koberstein **	1st VP	N9DK
Yes	Stiv Ostenberg	2nd VP	K9STV
Yes	Jim Weatherford	Treasurer	WU6K
Yes	Leslie Grimm	Secretary	KK6EKN
Yes	Jerry Thalls	Director-At-Large, Sunnyvale	KG6HI
Yes	Lea Roberts **	Director-At-Large, Stanford	WA6ITV
Yes	Neil Katin	Director-At-Large, Los Altos Hills	K2LL

Attending SPECS Board Members:

** Attending via Zoom

Remembrances

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Dave Platt, AE6EO, Delivered a remembrance of Silent Keys Scott Overstreet N6NXI and Bob Anderson KC6ZWG.

Featured Speaker

Bob Iannucci, W6EI

AREDN, Amateur Radio Emergency Data Network

AREDN is a collection of ham stations that exist to provide broadband, TCP/IP based data communication services for the amateur radio community.

Break 10:30 to 10:40

Election of Officers:

Grant led the election portion of the meeting. The slate of officers for 2024 from the nomination committee was:

President:	Grant Elliot	KK6FMQ
Secretary:	vacant	
Treasurer:	Jim Weatherford	WU6K
Director	Lea Roberts, Stanford	WA6ITV
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Director	Stiv Ostenberg, Mt. View	K9STV

There was one nomination from the floor: Neil Katin, for Secretary. A motion was made to accept the slate. **MSC**

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SPECSRA Representative:

Dave Platt gave a brief report. The W6ASH repeaters are operating well. The repeater group has new members, led by Phil Hawkins.

SPECS UG Business Meeting

Approval of Minutes: Minutes of the 2023 meeting had been posted on the website and available to members for review for the past year. A motion was made to accept the minutes as posted. **MSC**

Treasurer's Report: Jim, WU6K, reported that there were few expenses, and there was income this year from the flea market. Funds available are about \$39,000.

220/UHF Nets report: Patrick Muffler, KG6TMI, noted that the net roster is updated every month, adding new members and removing names for members that haven't checked in for the past 4 months. There were 112 hams that checked in during the past year. Participation has been very good – an average of 50.5, with a high of 58 and a low of 32 (December 25).

Meeting Close

Grant closed the meeting at 11:15 am.

Respectfully submitted by Leslie Grimm, Secretary

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