MINUTES FOR THE JUNE 15, 2000 GENERAL MEMBERSHIP CARS MEETING

The president, Ed Ule called the meeting to order. The acting secretary read the minutes, which were accepted. The treasurer, Lynn Bartschi said there was \$702.21 in the checking account. Some membership renewals had come in which when deposited would bring the total to more than \$1000.

Fred Soderer gave a report on the frog jump special events station. They made 799 contacts, which included 47 different states, 9 Canadian provinces and 17 countries. John and Johanna Frame made 75 contacts on ten meters Sunday afternoon. Nice going John and Johanna. Fred has received 150 requests for certificates. He said we only have 50. He asked permission to have 150 copies of the certificate made locally. Dennis Bullock made the motion that Fred get two bids and use the lowest. The motion seconded by Tim Cody passed.

Dennis Bullock gave a report of field day plans. He asked those coming to think about fire safety and to bring a shovel, bucket, water, and fire extinguisher. Dennis told about the news reports he had sent out and the groups he had invited. He asked us to save any newspaper articles we see so they can be sent in for credit. Set-up will begin on Friday at noon. Transmitting will begin Saturday at 11:00 a.m.

A motion made by Tim Cody and seconded by Dennis Bullock to cancel the summer picnic due to lack of interest passed. After the July breakfast, will be the annual repeater site clean up. Tim Cody will head this up. There is to be no August meeting or newsletter.

Don Benthusen explained the need to buy a pre amp for the repeater to improve the sensitivity. The Fowler repeater group would like the club to use some of the repeater fund to buy the pre amp for Doug Hanson to install. The cost is \$75.00. The motion made by Don and seconded by Tim Cody passed.

The nominating committee met just before the general meeting. They feel conditions are the same as last year and that they will be unable to find club officers for next year. Should the club continue? Should the club be run differently? This will be discussed more at the July meeting and a decision made at the September meeting.

After refreshment break John Frame presented the program. He had with him the ten-meter antenna used by him and Johanna during frog jump. Jack Costa gave the directions for the antenna to him. He passed out copies of the directions to the group. He built the antenna in just an hour one day when Johanna needed an antenna to use for a contest. This is a high gain antenna with a low angle of

radiation. Johanna and John report excellent success using it.

Respectfully submitted by Patsy Clark, for Marcia Barnum, Secetary

Special Events - 2000

What can we say about our Frog Jump Special Events operation for this year except FANTASTIC!

The final tally of contacts for our eight operators was <u>799</u>! We had been averaging only aabout 300 contacts over the past several years. Some of the interesting statistics are:

- * Contacts with 47 states-missing only Delaware, Rhode Island and South Dakota.
- * Contacts with 9 Canadian Provinces missing only The Yukon and Northwest Territories. All total, we had 30 contacts with our neighbors to the north.
- * We worked 17 foreign countries including some interesting ones like The Falkland Islands, Thailand and West Maylasia.
- * It was not a contest between operators so we are not going to break down the contacts per operator. However, we do have to mention the outstanding run that John KF6ZEV and Johanna K6ORO made on 10 meters. On Sunday between 1100 and 1630 our time they made about 75 contacts covering 16 states, several Provinces and foreign countries from Japan to the Falkland Islands.

Propagation was not all that good, so this was a real effort by the following members.

AC6CY - Lynn	K6ORO - Johanna
N6DIT - Dennis	WB6QVI - Fred
K6GPB - Earl	K0YOG - Ed
WA6KML - Don	KF6ZEV - John

Many thanks for a job well done.

Fred - WB5QVI Special Event Coordinator

To all members: Please let me know if you want to have the news letter sent by e-mail. Send your reply to ED. ULE, K0YOG, eanglcmp@email.msn.com