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Subject: Minutes CARS March 15, 2001 meeting

The meeting was called to order by President, Ed Ule , K0YOG.

The minutes of the December meeting were read by Patsy Clark, KN6XW, and were accepted as read.

Old Business

Fred Soderer, WB6QVI, said that there would be no Special Event this year because no one came forward to chair the event.

Tim Cody, KD6NRB, reported that Don Benthusen, WA6KML, is continuing to follow up with the Department of Forestry reguarding the rent on the repeater site. He said that although the Department is continuing to bill for the site, the club will not have to pay rent.

New Business

Jim Clark, KO6HV, presented two choices for the Field Day site this year. The first choice is the same site used last year. That site has no facilities. The second site he suggested was a group campground at Big Trees State Park. A vote was taken and Jim was authorized to follow up and make the necessary arrangements for the Big Trees site once he has determined that antennas will be allowed.

With regard to food for the Field Day event, it was suggested that participants bring pot luck items in addition to having a barbecue.

Field Day is scheduled for June 23rd and 24th. In order to make preparations for the Field Day event, the next quarterly meeting was moved up to June 14th. Ed, K0YOG, said that he would publish a newsletter on May 25th which will include a sign up sheet for Field Day.

Ed, K0YOG, said that membership renewals will be included with the June newsletter.

After the meeting broke for refreshments, Fred, WB6QVI, showed a video tape about Amateur Radio in space. This very interesting tape showed ham radio being used to make contact from space to school groups and other interested people around the world. On one of the shuttle flights, all five of the astronauts were HAMS. The film also discussed some of the history of the satellites which have been put into space for amateur use. This tape is owned by CARS and may be borrowed by contacting Fred.

The meeting was adjurned at 20:21.

Respectfully submitted by Marcia Barnum, KF6REW, Secretary