CARS, INC BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES, March 10, 2011 CARS, INC Business Meeting March 10th, 2011 – 1830 hrs

The meeting was called to order by Ken Sanders AE6LA, President followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and self introductions.

The minutes from the business meeting held January 13, 2011 were accepted as printed.

New correspondence was a solicitation for a "Volunteer of the Year" for the Commission on Aging. It was agreed upon by the group that Ken Saunders would be our nominee, and Tim Cody KD6NRB volunteered to handle the writing of the response.

Treasurer Bill Holmes K6DUY gave a financial report which included the report of a current balance of \$1793.67. There is no outstanding debt.

President Ken Sanders AE6LA reported on the current status of the repeater on Fowler Peak. There have be no significant changes since the last meeting, the systems continues to perform as designed and there have been no interruptions in service.

There was further discussion of matters related to current proposals being considered by NARCC.

Ken also briefed the membership on the donation of equipment by K0YOG, Ed Ule.

Ken has also begun the broadcast of the Amateur Radio Newsline audio broadcasts.

Club PIO/Grants Manager John Davenport KI6ART reports that a VE session will be held on March 26th at the Ebbett's Fire station.

Andy Thomas NV6V reports that the Website continues to operate as designed, and he is soliciting members that may want to get involved in some aspect of it .. contact Andy for further information. Additionally, Andy reports that the IRLP project is moving forward again and that plans are in place to make the internet connection between K3UG and Fowler Peak live.

Sam Hernandez reported on the status of our Monday Night Net, which continues to be popular and is going great. Sam's NBEMS nets also continue to be popular and a very useful resource for learning to use this program. Sam reports he attended a Webinar on the subject of NBEMS and that is was very informative.

There was much discussion about Field Day sites and strategies. There was a motion made and passed by Chuck Farr and Tim Cody that FD would be held this year at the Glory Hole Campground adjacent to New Melones Resv.

Tim Cody will be the chairmen of this summer's joint picnic, and will report further as the date nears.

Under old business there was brief discussion of a CARS effort at the Frogjump. This item was tabled for further discussion in the future.

There was no new business.

The meeting adjourned at 2000

Barry Thaysen K3UG Secretary - Calaveras Amateur Radio Society