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SERC General Meeting January 9, 2023

President Scott KO4SQK called the January meeting of SERC to order at 1900 hours at which time Scott introduced himself and Chuck K1CHC as the new President and V President of SERC. Members introduced themselves and their call signs with a total of 22 members present.

All of the committee's gave brief reports as to our current status:

The **Secretary's Report** was posted on our web site. A motion for approval was made by Brent W8XG and seconded by Gary WB9AYD followed by a unanimous approval.

The Treasurer's Report by Brent W8XG included current balance, and expenditures.

Membership Chair, Net W2RDX reported our current membership at 145.

Traders Net Chair, Fritz N4DPF reported all is well and the net is active. Stop by and say Hi.

The **Program Committee** will be chaired by Stephen W4SNW and DJ KY4TQ will assist. Saturday January 14 the first Sarasota Marathon will be held and SERC members will be participating as part of the support team. Stephen W4SNW has done a great job organizing this event, the first in several years.

Old Business: Trailer update by Scott KO4SQK indicated the ARC hopes to handle making it "road worthy". SERC will be responsible for all other items, including the AC unit. The intent is to have this out at various venues during the year promoting both Ham Radio and ARC.

New Business: Scott KO4SQK, indicated the BOD will have a technical retreat sometime in March to discuss technical demands and solutions. This will be open to a limited number of members concerned with the technical aspects of SERC operations.

Scott KO4SQK presented outgoing President Gary WB9AYD a framed letter of appreciation for his years of service to both SERC and SRQ ARES. Gary will remain on the BOD for the remainder of this year via Zoom and his absence will be greatly missed by all.

Scott KO4SQK proposed that SERC drop meeting during July and August. Follow some discussion Steve KS4YP proposed that our July and August meeting be combined for the first Monday in August. This is because the July meeting is always later in the month due to the 4th



P.O. Box 21042, Sarasota, FL 34276 ● www.n4ser.org of July holiday. This was seconded by DJ KY4TQ and unanimous approved. There will not be a July SERC meeting.

Scott KO4SQK adjourned the meeting and turned it over to Chuck K1CHC to cover SRQ ARES.

SRQ ARES

Chuck K1CHC introduced himself as the new EC for SRQ ARES and his intent to drills, etc. There are several open positions in SRQ ARES and would appreciate people stepping up to fill these vacancies. Scott KO4SQK will serve as Assistant EC, Steve KS4YP will continue with communications, Chuck W4CWJ will handle Ag Recover, Steven W4SNW will be SRQ ARES net manager and John W3ATR will handle logistics. Open positions include Operations, Training, Planning, Admin and CERT Liaison.

Den W2DEN discussed the need for a Communications Plan. This needs to be established.

Don KT3V discussed the SRG DIGI group and that its attendance is falling off. Some discussion was made regarding the time and day it is being held. The possibility of moving it to an evening was covered. No decisions have been made at this time.

The meeting was adjourned at 2020 hours.

Respectfully submitted, John W3ATR Secretary