

## Southwestern REACT General Meeting Minutes

February 19, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 1839 hours.

**Present:** Roger #98, John #42, Mike #92, Per #53, Carl #67, Marilyn #68, June #54, Gabriel #59T, Daniel #61, Tyler #50, Larry #84, James #60T and George #81.

1. Quorum present.
2. Visitors: None
3. Special Motions: None

**CommsChallenge:** John

1. Callsign nomenclature, format, meaning, and mini-test.

**Event Prep and Discussion:**

1. Lakeside Touch a Truck, 4/25/26 – Coordinator will be George Reeves.
  - a. Recommends a table, chairs, pop-up and recruiting handouts.
2. FITT, 3/29/26 - Coordinator will be John Wright.
3. San Diego International Triathlon, 6/28/26 – coordinator to be George Reeves.
4. FITT, 9/27/26 – Coordinator will be Mike Bailey.

**Brief Sharing of Radio-Related Items:** George shared how he compensated for a missing SO-239 connector so he was unable link 2 segments of coax cable at the FITT on 2/15/26 preventing the deployment of his large antenna. He resorted to mag mount to be able to have an antenna of adequate height and was able to effectively get through to net control.

**Training Moment:** After Action Report (AAR). Mike presented on how to complete the AAR, its history, the purpose, and how to incorporate it into a process improvement strategy to improve future events.

**Audit Committee:** Carl presented the results of the committee. The Committee confirmed the ending balance of 12/31/24 and that income and expenses were verified for the period from 1/1/25 through 12/31/25. Tyler moved to accept the report, seconded by George. M/S/C. John Wright noted that balance is decreasing as 100% of dues go to REACT, International so there is no regular income. He noted that the Team may wish to explore other options for income going forward.

**Recruiting Efforts:** Mike updated the efforts to recruit more members including a presentation to a recent SD Ham Class and Testing session on 2/7/25 in Poway.

**Mentoring Status:** Mike. All new members have been assigned a mentor. Some new members have had medical issues or life circumstances that have prevented them from meeting with their mentors or working an event. However, Hector Valtierra was able to attend the FITT on 2/15/26 with his mentor, George, and performed well.

**ARRL Special Service Club:** John. Updated us on the progress of the application process.

**Questions/Approval of Submitted Reports:** Mike

Reports received: Treasurer's Report, Audit Committee Report, and Agenda for today's General Meeting. Board Meeting minutes for February and the After Action Report for FITT of 2/15/26 were submitted to Board and webmaster for publishing. The General Meeting Minutes for January was moved for approval by Carl Jensen, seconded by June. M/S/C.

**Correspondence:**

1. REACT ID Cards received from REACT International on 1/20/26
2. Letter from U.S. Bank for Roger McCollough arrived 1/22/26
3. Amazon Package from Tyler Klein containing 2 Baofeng handheld radios to be distributed to new members without radios once licensed and having worked an event. George offered to program them with the current Comm Plan.

**Treasurer's Report:** (June #54)

1. Beginning Balance 12/31/25:	\$2925.50
2. Deposits: Membership dues	961.00
3. Expenses:	
a. REACT Intl. For dues.	795.00
b. Go Daddy for website.	<u>19.99</u>
4. Ending Balance.	\$3071.51

**REACTer Editor:** (John #42) Published and emailed to members.

**Webmaster:** (Per #53) Website is up to date.

**Questions/Comments to the Board:**

1. Carl suggested grants may be a way of getting additional income for the team. Somebody with experience in grant-writing may be able to tap into that resource.

2. Gabriel reported that Keith Baillie is hospitalized and receiving care for a medical condition so was unable to attend tonight.
3. Discussion of posting the General Meeting minutes on the website for review prior to the next General meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 2001 hrs.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

*Michael J. Bailey, SWR#92*

Secretary