

## AMRG - PSARC Report

### General Meeting 2125

President: Welcomed everyone to the meeting and to SAR-Ex.

Sec Report: Handed out the report from the meeting of Feb 20<sup>th</sup>. It includes some corrections to the report of last Board meeting. Motion to approve the minutes - Motion carries.

Treasures: A report was distributed. Balance: \$2,326.90.

President asked for reports from any other officers or board members. All teams from last year have paid or are paying for this year (Note here: I paid the AMRG due while there!).

Training report: Ron was not available for a training report. Rob and Linda Percy have agreed to help with SAR-Ex next year. Rob would like PSARC to create a committee for next year and run the SAR-Ex as a PSARC event. W.E.S.T. ran SAX-Ex the first year. MARSAR has been helping for the last couple of years. Rob was appointed chair of the committee for the next SAR-Ex. This year's event has gone off without a hitch. Some discussion followed on the dates for next year. For the last four years it has been on the same weekend as the fireman's convention. Should it be moved? This might allow some of the fireman to attend. Rick made a motion to move the meeting to May 18, 19, 20. Martha seconded it. Approved. Greg Fuller would like to put on a full length tracking class next year. The class would start on Thursday and run into the afternoon on Sunday. Should the event be open to the Public on Saturday? Run some little demos for Public awareness. If you have ideas, please see Rob.. Using this facility, we spend about \$500. This is cheaper than we could get it anywhere else.

Membership – Linda Blush and Robin McMillin have been voted into organization. Don Scelza is to contact Linda and Robin. An comment was made that there may be legal issues with open votes on individual members. We should ask legal council to investigate this issue.

By-Laws – John is going to give the report. There is a proposed amendment Article 13, Section B. Create two regions from the Northern Region. Northeast -- N I80 East of Rt. 15. Northwest -- North of I80 West of Rt.15. This was the first reading of this change. The second reading and vote will be at the August meeting.

Ops – At the Feb 20<sup>th</sup> meeting it was presented and approved to require, by Dec 2000, that all SAR council Ops teams have 50% of their membership FTM qualified. As of time, there are only two teams that have not designated themselves as operations teams. The council would like each team to appoint a person from the team to the Ops committee. The council would like to develop the Ops committee by June. Send your team representative to [Pmccabe@msc.com](mailto:Pmccabe@msc.com). The council would like to develop phased in accreditation standards for teams starting in Jan of 2000. All teams got a resource sheet. If you have not returned the sheet to Peter, please do soon ASAP.

Website – Keith gave a report. The Council owns the domain PRARC.org. We have been offered a place to host the PSARC web site. Keith hopes to get things moving again and get a site up in the short term. There are two list [psarc@onelist.com](mailto:psarc@onelist.com) and [psarcboard@onelist.com](mailto:psarcboard@onelist.com). Each time can give an address to Brian to get put on the PSARC list.

Forms Committee - Keith. We are still working hard. It is taking a long time. We may be able to have a set of forms for the next meeting. If this happens, they will be distributed and then voted on at the November meeting. DCNR has agreed to use the same forms. The old forms are available on [www.pitt.edu/~kconover/](http://www.pitt.edu/~kconover/).

Nominating Committee - Keith –

President        John Miller (MARSAR)  
Vice President   Art Kalbach (W.E.S.T.)  
Secretary:       Don Scelza  
Treasure        Carol Skpper  
At Large:        Vickie Coup (Strike)  
                     Peter McCabe (MSAR)  
West:            Martha Ackroid (Sommerset SAR)  
Northwest       Jean Zore

There were no additional nominations from the floor.

Old Business - The P.O. Box will be moved to Lancaster. The Somerset BOX will be closed and a forwarding address set up.

New Business – There will be a meeting with Mike Norris from DCNR during the SAR-Ex to talk about Minimum training guidelines from dog handlers.

The meeting closed at 2230