



Meeting Minutes

PSARC Board Meeting

May 13, 2001

Board members present: John Miller (President) , Art Kalbach (VP), Don Scelza (Secretary) , Jean Zore (Northwestern), Eric Gustkey (Central), Mike Norris (Northeast), Vikki Coup (at-large), Lou Ann Pomposello (Treasurer). A quorum is present. Meeting called to order at 1800 hrs. by John Miller.

John would like to ask the board members to thank Brian Linda, Rob and Jakie for the work that they have done at this years SAR-EX.

Membership:

The board will work to create an ethics procedure that the Board will approve to govern member teams.

Two teams have applied for membership.

- 1) Search and Rescue Dogs of Pennsylvania. The Board has decided that the Membership Chair should hold this application until specific allegations of misrepresentation can be investigated.
- 2) Contact Michael White and try to get him to come in as part of a team.

Jean Zore asked about the status of Evergreen SAR. The Board has notified

Evergreen that they can become a member of the Council by paying their back dues. We have not heard from them since.

DCNR:

The FTL test is being run at SAR-EX this year. The general feeling is that the test is at a very appropriate level for FTL.

DCNR instructors can provide classes outside of the Commonwealth and DCNR will issue certificates.

Old Business:

Lou Ann now has all of the old PSARC financial records.

New Business:

Jean Zore asked if the Board would like to see the K-9 Cadaver standards prior to them being presented at the general member meeting. The Board suggests that the standards be entered electronically. They should be voted on at the next meeting.

For the Good of the Order:

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 1835.



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John Miller called the meeting to order at 1911 hrs. The secretary circulated an attendance form. Seven delegates were in attendance constituting a quorum.

Vice President Report: Nothing to Report.

Secretary Report: Nothing to report.

Treasures Report:

872.00 General. Event report to be given under committee reports. 159.00 Money Market.

Membership Committee:

At current time there are no applications that the chair wishes to present.

Operations Committee:

Peter McCabe, Operations Chair, could not attend this meeting. Elkland SAR presented a proposal for operational team classes and requirements. The proposal should be worked at committee level.

Web Site:

No updated made to the site recently. If there are any updates please send to Brian. His address is on the PSARC web site as the web master.

Forms Committee:

The committee is not in attendance. The committee is hoping to meet sometime in June to continue work on the new forms.

SAR-EX:

Linda, Brian, Rob and Jamie, Rich were introduced and receive ovations. The President thanked members of the committee for their work.

Jason from Pinch Pond Camp Ground was thanked for his support of the Council.

Chair report: 138 people registered from 10 states. There were 26 teams; 4 vendors; 2 State Agencies; 2 Fire Companies. \$141 made by the Council on silent auction. Income to the Council was \$10414.25.

Linda has accepted the Chair for next year.

Next year SAR-EX will be the first weekend (2, 3, 4 & 5) in May.

The membership feels that the SAR-EX weekend has gone very well.

Legislative: No report

Canine Standards:

New cadaver standards are being proposed. They will be posted to the web site for comment.

DCNR:

Report by Mike Norris.

16 people took the DCNR FTM test. 14 people took the DCNR fFTL test. This was the first time that the FTL test was given to the public.

DCNR will be looking at other agencies to see if their certifications will be accepted.

Air scenting and trailing canine tests are being developed by DCNR. Following these will be search management certifications.

Please fill in the after action report on the DCNR web site after searches.

Nominating Committee:

President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasure are up for election. These are two-year terms.

Central, East and Northeast region representatives are up for election. These are four-year terms.

Vikki Coup from the nominating committee read the committee's recommendations.

The motions from the nominating committee are:

- President: John Miller
- Vice President: Vickie Coup
- Secretary: Don Scelza
- Treasure: Lou Ann Pomposello
- East: Peter McCabe; Lee We
- Central: Eric

- Northeast: Mike Norris

Floor opened for additional nominations:

- President: None.
- Vice President: None
- Secretary: None
- Treasure: None
- Central Region: None
- Northeast: None

Motion to close nominations until the August meeting made by Jean Zore. Eric Gustkey seconded. Motion carried unanimously

Old Business: None

New Business:

How does the statewide referral phone number work? The call goes to Stat Medivac in Pittsburgh. Brian will set up a committee to give direction to State Medivac. Brian Winterstien to work with Ken Chiacchia and Tom Mower. Committee report is to be given at the August meeting.

Good of the Council:

On behalf of the Council and Board John Miller thanked all of the instructors who helped with SAR-EX.

The next meeting is August 11 at State Collage.

Motion to adjourn made by Jean Zore. Seconded by Vikki Coup. Motions carried unanimously.