

# Pennsylvania Search and Rescue Council

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## Board Meeting Minutes August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2004

This was a special Board meeting called by the President. The meeting was held using a conference call system. Present were: Don Scelza, Vikki Coup, Cathy Conner, Lou Ann Pomposelli, Jeanie Zore, Kim Carr, John Miller, Alan Houck, Chris Rudolph, Jack Stankiewicz, Brian Winterstein this being all Officers and Board members of PSARC.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 pm. The meeting was called to discuss the recent rash of inappropriate usage of the PSARC mailing list.

There was a general discussion of the recent issue and the use of the PSARC mailing list to air group and individual issues. It was the consensus of the Board that the Council should not become involved in Inter-group or Interpersonal issues.

There was discussion of making the PSARC list a moderated list. The consensus of the Board was that a non-moderated list would, in general, best serve the PSARC membership. Based on not wishing to create a moderated list, the Board decided to create a set of policies surrounding the appropriate use of the PSARC list and that members who broke these policies would have their list privileges removed. Permanent removal of privileges would require a Board vote. It was also decided that the PSARC Web Master, Brian, and the President, Don, would have the power to temporarily suspend a member from posting to the list if they broke the list usage policies. It would then be the responsibility of a member of the Board to contact the offending individual and explain the appropriate usage policies prior to that member's privilege being reinstated. Continued usage outside of the policy would result in Board action to determine if the privileges should be permanently removed.

Board members were to draft potential policies and circulate them among the Board for comment. The Board proposal to the membership is to take place at the November meeting.

The President is to send a note to the list indicating that the Board has taken the list usage into consideration and will present such a policy.

Additional discussion was held surrounding inconsistencies in the By-Laws and direction was given for the By-Laws committee to take up and correct these discrepancies.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30pm.