

APPALACHIAN SEARCH & RESCUE CONFERENCE

GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

April 4, 1992

ATTENDANCE:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Proxy</u>	<u>Group</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Proxy</u>	<u>Group</u>
C. Birmingham	3	BRMRG	William Dixon	1	SMRG
Marc Buursink	0	BRMRG	Bob Elron	0	SMRG
Charles Chopin	1	BRMRG	Amy Rue	0	SMRG
Lisa Hannon	0	BRMRG	John Casey	2	SWVaMRG
Bruce Hemmer	0	BRMRG	Paul Fleenor	0	SWVaMRG
Kathleen Hockin	0	BRMRG	Sara Jensen	0	SWVaMRG
Shannon Indoe	2	BRMRG	Cindy Lambert	0	SWVaMRG
Bob Koester	5	BRMRG	John Punches	0	SWVaMRG
Mary Slater	0	BRMRG	Dave Carter	2	TSAR
Cady Soukup	0	BRMRG	Ruth Carter	10	TSAR
David Stooksbury	0	BRMRG	Colleen Eggeman	0	TSAR
Patrick Turner	2	BRMRG	Mark Eggeman	0	TSAR
Kevin Dawe	3	RSAR	Earl Evans	1	TSAR
Mark Pennington	13	RSAR	Pat Evans	0	TSAR
Dawn Arbogast	2	SMRG	Marie Manry	0	TSAR
Larry Brewer	0	SMRG	Janice Shuffield	1	TSAR
L. Camper	0	SMRG			

GROUP REPORTS:

AMRG: Prevented from attending by weather. Reports 25 active members and recertification with MRA.

BRMRG: Has bought 12 new pagers on ASRC net to be used primarily by ASRC Alert Officers and the BRMRG BOD. The local BRMRG pager net will be closed, and the statewide BRMRG pager net will be used for BRMRG business. Current membership is 6 IC, 7 IS, 13 FTL, 4 FTM, 28 CQ. The new BOD is Charles Chopin (Chair), Shannon Indoe and Patrick Turner. Chris Ingle is Training Officer.

RSAR: Mark Pennington is Chair, Bill Fisher is Operations Officer, Beth Wikowski will be Training Officer when she becomes FTL. Funding is being pursued.

SMRG: Amy Rue is Chair, Jenny Burmester is Training Officer.

SWVaMRG: Sponsored a simulation, is co-sponsoring another with Botetourt Mounted SAR this summer. Has acquired VPI funding, bought 5 new radios and 4 ASRC pagers. Todd Berman is Chair, John Punches is Training Officer. Membership includes 1 with MSF, 14 FTL, 13 FTM, 7 CQ.

TSAR: Bought 4 ASRC pagers. Dave Carter is Chair, Earl Evans is Training Officer. Membership includes 1 IC, 1 IS, 11 FTL, 6 FTM, 8 CQ. Will sponsor a Practical Search Operations course

in November or December.

OFFICER REPORTS:

MEDICAL: We had zero patients. 2-year review will occur in December. All GTO's should ensure every member has a CPR card that will be valid at that time. Copies of all cards or certificates are needed.

COMMUNICATIONS: Submitted attached written report, wishes to be replaced.

CHAIR: New officers are: Chair, David Carter; Vice-Chair, John Panches; Secretary, Bruce Hemmer; Treasurer, Patrick Turner. Read highlights of past motions for the year (summary attached). Presented an engraved brass sierra cup to each member with ten years of service:

Brian Foy	Gary Mechtel	Cady Soukup	B. Mackreth
Keith Conover	Art Dodds	Albert Baker	John Birch
Betty Thomas	Steve Ritter	Ralph Wilfong	Bob Elron
Gene Harrison	George Swett	M. Pennington	
Greg Shea	Bob Koester	David Carter	

Unaccomplished goals include: IS training material, determination of lawyer service fees owed, renewal of FCC license and standard tests.

BUSINESS:

RAISING GROUP DUES: Discussion of whether or not to raise group dues to the ASRC from \$45 to \$100/year, partially in order to allow the ASRC to take over the 1-800 phone number, resulted in passage of the following motion: **Dues will remain at \$45 per year per group.**

ASSESSMENT OF INDIVIDUAL DUES: Discussion of the problem of non-active individuals remaining on rosters led to the passage of the following motion: **The ASRC will assess dues of \$1 per individual member per year, to be collected by each member's group on the first of January.**

UNIFORM STANDARDS: Extensive discussion of the pros and cons of rockers denoting training levels led to three failed motions:

1. The ASRC will use only two rockers, "FTL" and "IS"; CQ's will wear a plain blue or yellow shirt and FTM's will be allowed to wear the ASRC patch.
 2. The ASRC will have no rockers.
 3. Each group will decide its own rocker policy.
- The following motion then passed: **The rocker issue will be decided by the ASRC BOD.**

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION: The attached changes were proposed. A sufficient quorum was present, including proxies. A motion passed to adopt the proposed changes.

BYLAWS: An insufficient quorum was present, including proxies, to vote on any changes. A special general membership meeting-by-proxy will be held before the BOD meeting on 30 May 1992 in a second attempt to produce a sufficient quorum. David Carter will send a mailing of proxy forms to all members as soon as he receives updated rosters (as of 4 April 1992) from all delegates.

PATCHES: A motion passed that from this day on, the ASRC BOD will be responsible for the purchase and distribution of ASRC patches, that these patches will be available at all ASRC meetings, and that those patches already purchased by groups at this time will be distributed by those groups.

MEDICAL ACTIVITIES AT FUNDRAISERS: Discussion produced a general consensus that this is appropriate as long as we are not being directly reimbursed for medical services.

OUTDATED MEDICAL PROTOCOLS: This issue was tabled until the next BOD meeting.

CAP AND PATIENTS: The CAP is currently not treating patients until implications of new OSHA blood-borne pathogens regulation are explored. Discussion produced a general consensus that the ASRC need not make any policy changes at this time.

GOALS: The following goals were established:

TAX-EXEMPT STATUS: Will continue to be pursued. We need an accurate 3-year financial history.

RENEWAL OF FCC LICENSE: Will soon be completed (ETA 1 month) - Elron is willing to finish the job.

PRODUCTION OF FTM/FTL TRAINING MANUAL: No one is currently assigned.

PRODUCTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL: Dawn Arbogast volunteered.

REVIEW OF PROPOSED STANDARD FTL TEST: (Drafts of other tests have yet to be submitted.)

PRODUCTION OF ASRC BROCHURE: Mark Eggeman volunteered.

PRODUCTION OF IS TRAINING MATERIAL