

Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group
Monthly Meeting Notes
March 2, 2010

1. Chair report/ General Announcements

Chris Ruch filled in for Don.

We have not received the invoices for this year from ASRC or PSARC. It is expected that we will receive them soon.

2. External Organizations (ASRC/PSARC/MRA)

- a. ASRC- The AGM is in April. There will be a major mock search combined with this years meeting.
- b. PSARC- There will be a teleconference call this Thursday.
- c. NCRC- There is nothing locally to report. There will be a week long training on May 15th in Alabama.
MRA- The next BOD meeting is in Alaska. We are waiting for the new membership cards.
- d. Allegheny/Region 13- The assistant chief sent in a draft, on how SAR will be activated through 911, to the leadership.

3. Committee Reports

Membership

- a. Jason Willis was voted in as a member, contingent on passing his background check.
- b. The membership committee presented a goal statement. They will be putting an operational plan together. They are asking that suggestions members have on what the membership committee should be working on be sent to them.
 - The current brochure is geared to professionals. Ken will send us a draft brochure for membership.
 - The membership committee will be sending out a survey to the members via survey monkey.

Operations

- a. Elections were held. The new officers will take over their positions on April 1st.
 - Commander- Chris Ruch
 - Ops Officer- Joe Ray
 - Training Officer- Ken Chiacchia
 - ASRC Delegates- Ken Chiacchia, Rebecca Hostetter
 - PSARC Delegates- Maria O'Brien and John
 - MRA Delegate- Chris Ruch
 - BOD Position- Don Scelza
- b. Callouts- There were no callouts this month.

- c. Medical-
 - QRS Application still in discussion with UPMC for Medical Command.

Training Report/ Presentations

- a. Monthly training will be March 6th.
- b. Dog Training Update- The canine training for this week will be Saturday.

Marketing-

N/A

Finance

- a. We will look into where we can get our patches. CampSAR is now defunct.
- b. Ten Thousand dollars was donated to AMRG by Rob McMillan. This donation was based on the work that Heather Houlahan did with the Montana Dog Rescue