

APPALACHIAN SEARCH & RESCUE CONFERENCE, INC.

MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 1, 1992 MEETING
Shenandoah National Park - Luray, Virginia

REPORTS

There are no Minutes from the December 1991 meeting. The ASRC Secretary, BB Oros, has resigned.

BRMRG No group report. Deming Herbert*, Charles Chopin, and Camille Birmingham.

AMRG Conover injured late yesterday afternoon and will not attend meeting. Not present. No group report.

SWVaMRG Written report submitted (see attachments). John Punches*, and Paul Fleener*.

SMRG No group report. Amy Rue, and Dawn Arbogast.

RSAR Not present. No group report.

TSAR Membership has increased by 12 persons. Another FTM class has been started. Training simulation planned for May 9 in Dismal Swamp area. Earl Evans*.

ESAR 616 Unit plans to train in New Hampshire in February with trip to Mt Washington area. Unit also plans to take MRA test in March. Peter McCabe*

ESAR 617 Tom Cochrane, a tracker is a member of the 617 program.

MARYLAND Demonstration planned for weekend of March 7-8 with the Maryland State Police. This is towards goal of being recognized in Maryland as a state resource.

PENNSYLVANIA The SAR Council is moving forward with several initiatives, one of which is to become an operational program with an MOA with the state emergency management agency.

VA SAR Council Botetourt Mounted SAR unit is revising its role beyond horses. The QRT (Quick Response Team) is not recognized by VaDES, and the IC should be notified if they respond to a search. The VA State seal patch

* voting members

may be available by special arrangement from the Hub Uniform Co in Richmond at \$1.90 each. Further details may be available from Mark Pennington.

Operations No report

Training Written report distributed (see attachments)

OLD BUSINESS

1. The ASRC tax exemption application to IRS is pending correction of past several years financial reports.
2. There is 6 months remaining in the 18-month extension to the AMRG regular 36-month review. McCabe will follow up with AMRG and provide technical assistance as requested or needed.
3. RSAR is due their 36-month review today. They have requested a two-month extension.

Σ Motion made, seconded and passed without discussion.

4. The 1992 ASRC general membership meeting has been moved to C'ville on April 4. The meeting had been scheduled to be hosted by SMRG. ASRC BOD meeting starts at 1000 and the General Membership meeting is at 1300. Activities related to this include:
 - a. There will be an effort to compile actions and resolutions taken by the BOD during the last year.
 - b. There will be an Incident Staff class on April 5, 1992.
5. **Awards:** At the April 4 Annual Meeting there will be certificates distributed to those with 10 or more years ASRC participation. Certificates will be conservative, yet trendy and contained in individual folders. McCabe will handle this. There was discussion of awarding brass Sierra cups, but this consideration of changed to glitchy certificates. There is a \$200 cap on awards.
6. **Pagers:** Greg Shea/SMRG is handling arrangements with Metrocall for a central ASRC contract agreement. Presently, RSAR, SMRG, BRMRG, SWVaMRG and ESAR-616 have an interest in the new pager system.

Σ Motion made, seconded and passed that one person gather information and develop a written report by February 20. Person named was Dawn Arbogast.

7. **Grants:** The ASRC is considered as one group when applying for state grants. Therefore all groups must apply as the ASRC together for state grants, in the future. This will call for a coordinator position in the ASRC.
8. Year-End Reports are due. BRMRG was the only group submitting their year-end report. (see attachments)

NEW BUSINESS

1. ASRC Arrangements with Washington, D.C. legal firm for assistance with 501(c)(3) IRS application: There are a number of questions which need to be resolved. These include: (a) was a contract signed by BB? (b) Did BB advise firm of the ASRC \$500 cap and did BB receive a written confirmation from firm of the \$500 cap? (c) Is any part of the IRS Application form completed? If so, who has? (d) do we owe any money for the work already completed on the specifically assigned task?
2. We need to submit a Notice of proposed changes to the ASRC Articles of Incorporation to enable us to file for IRS exemption. (This assumes the IRS application will be submitted before the Articles are formally changed.)
3. The BOD needs to thank BB for his work and contributions as the Secretary.
4. Camille Birmingham will complete the term of ASRC Secretary.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1510 hours.

SWVaMRG Group Report

01 ~~January~~ ^{February} 1992

Training

Southwest sponsored a simulation on Nov 8-10th. Among the participant were ESAR, BRMRG, SMRG, and SWVaMRG. The simulation went well and was a true learning experience for all.

The training schedule up to the beginning of April is available. Southwest will be sponsoring a simulation on the 27 and 28 of March which will be open to all SAR organizations. If you wish to participate, contact Jim Fishenden at (703) 953-1022.

Southwest is also sponsoring a CPR class on February 1.

Searches

Since the last SAR Council, we have responded to:

~~Dismal Swamp, 7 members~~
Harper Ferry, 5 members
Warsaw/Richmond, 5 members

Financial

Southwest recently recieved a grant from VEMS for pagers and radios. Southwest is also in the process of forming and submitting next year budget to the Virginia Tech Budget Board.

Miscellaneous

SWVaMRG is applyings for associate membership in VAVRS.

Southwest is interested in collecting the brochures of BOD members. Please send them to us if you have them or get them to us at the next BOD meeting.

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■ updated/new information

Updated thru: 22 January 1992

Membership by Training Level: (as of 25 January 1992)

Incident Commander	4
Incident Staff	9
Field Team Leader	11
Field Team Member	9
Call Out Qualified	29
Trainee Status	11
Total Membership	73

Mission Dates: 1 January 1991 - 1 January 1992

These dates indicate the opening of Conference Dispatch at the Locker, and are not limited to on scene responses.

* -- indicates Searches at which 5 or more members responded to the scene.

*18 January 1991	12 July
5 February	*18 July
9 February	13 August
18 February	18 August
2 March	24 August
*18 March	10 September
25 March	15 September
* 7 April	*24 September
*30 April	6 October
8 May	18 October
*17 May	11 November
28 May	25 November
4 June	*22 December
* 4 July	

ASRC Events Attended by 5 or more members:

ASRC General Membership Meeting 1991
ASRC Simulation, 8-10 November 1991