

**ASRC GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING
23 APRIL 1994
MINUTES**

Meeting was called to order at 1335 by Dave Carter.

Attendance: (Both present and with proxies)

AMRG	0 present	0 proxies	
BRMRG	5 present	28 proxies	
MSAR	2 present	0 proxies	
PVRG	4 present	0 proxies	
RSAR	0 present	1 proxy	
SMRG	2 present	3 proxies	
SWVaMRG	5 present	9 proxies	
TSAR	1 present	12 proxies	
Total	19 present	53 proxies	74 members

Bike Team - SWVaMRG wants to start a bike team. The team would be limited to SWVaMRG due to terrain and experienced members. The requirements would be that everyone must be an FTM, supply their own bikes and equipment, be good riders, and would carry their FTM gear, med kit, and radio. The bike team would be used for containment and hasty teams. Members would be required to check their equipment before each task. SWVaMRG is interested in trying to get a special grant from REI for \$2000 for bike gear (lights and air pumps and saddle packs). **THE MEMBERSHIP SAID GO AHEAD TO SWVaMRG, AND ASK THEM TO SUPPLY THE IS WITH A BRIEFING SHEET ON THE CAPABILITIES OF THE TEAM, WHERE THEY WOULD BE BEST USED AND HOW THEY WILL BE CALLED OUT. GARY MBCHTAL MOVED AND MICHELLE PUNCHES SECONDED THAT SWVaMRG BE TASKED WITH INVESTIGATING THE USE OF MOUNTAIN BIKES FOR SAR AND RECOMMENDING FOR THE ASRC APPROPRIATE TRAINING AND OPERATIONAL STANDARDS. FURTHER THAT THEY SUBMIT A INTERIM PROGRESS REPORT 6 MONTHS FROM NOW AND A FULL REPORT 1 YEAR FROM NOW. 71 YES, 0 NO AND , 1 ABSTAIN. MOTION PASSED.**

Minutes - **BOB KOESTER MOTIONED AND ? SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES FORM THE LAST MEETING BE ACCEPTED. 71 YES, 0 NO AND 1 ABSTAIN. MOTION PASSED.**

Officer Reports (see minutes from BOD meeting 4-23-94)

Group Reports (Handed in writing)

Appalachian Alert (Peter McCabe) - Needs input PLEASE.

MSAR (Peter McCabe) - Is getting a grant to hire a person to provide services for troubled youths.

PETER WOULD LIKE TO GET A COPY OF EACH GROUPS ROSTERS FOR HIS DATA BASE.

Air nautical maps were available for the taking at the end of the meeting.

Changes to ASRC OPS Manual (Camille Birmingham) - Camille handed out a copy of all the changes to the ASRC OPS Manual dealing with alerting and dispatch (see addendum). **GARY AND DAVE WILL MAKE SURE THAT ALL THE CHANGES ARE INCORPORATED IN THE NEW OPS MANUAL.**

Move the General Membership Meeting - Discussion was held on whether the time for the General Membership meeting should be changed. It was decided to hold this until the reorganization of the conference is done. **TABLED.**

Reorganization Committee report (Dave Carter) - The ASRC is in need of reorganization. The Conference is growing and new groups want to join. The ASRC is in need of a way to raise money and a system to apply for grants. The State Resources for Volunteerism was contacted to obtain some suggestions for structuring a volunteer organization, the Red Cross and United Way were also studied. Changes will be necessary to run the business of the ASRC better.

Pay for Rescue - The ASRC should think about taking a position on the topic of pay for rescue; maybe even write a statement, since we provide a volunteer service. Arguments for are: the cost of rescue operations, possible protection from law suites, may help people to take responsibility for their actions. Arguments against: invasion of the "last free area" being governed. **TOM COCHRANE IS WILLING TO CHAIR A COMMITTEE TO COME UP WITH A POLICY STATEMENT.**

June Meeting - The ASRC BOD meeting will be in Charlottesville on June 25, 1994.

ASRC BOD Meeting Dates - Meetings are on the 4th Saturday of every 2nd month. June 25th, August 27, October 22, and December 24 (will be rescheduled later).

Liability - For what is the ASRC liable? **OPERATIONS, TRAINING AND MEDICAL OFFICERS NEEDS TO SEE WHAT THE ASRC MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR IN THEIR AREAS AND HOW THE ASRC CAN PROTECT ITSELF. DAVE WILL ASK THE NSAR LAWYER ABOUT THIS ISSUE ALSO.**

PVRG - PVRG needs to be brought up to full membership. Since they are not prepared now there will have to be a special membership meeting scheduled.

IC/IS Roster - Please send any correction to the roster to Camille Birmingham at the locker. Make sure to check the recertification dates.

Helicopters - Langley is getting two new helicopters. Also the Navy would like to use their helicopter out of Oceanna for SAR.

Simulations - May 14-15 there will be a Horizontal simulation involving two helicopters and the CAP.

BRMRG will be having a simulation on October 23, 1994.

Training - FTM, FTL, and PSO will be available at Camp Virginia Jaycees in NOV and DEC. The new MSO course will be taught.

SMRG is offering a FTL course in July and August. There will also be a CPR course.

Meeting adjourned at 1556.