



ASRC GM Minutes

09 April 2005

Sky Meadows State Park, Paris, VA

Title	Name	From	Present	Proxied To
Chair	Peter Pennington	SMRG	Yes	
Vice Chair	Andrew Dorsett	MSAR	Yes	
Treasurer	Amanda Harrison	BRMRG	No	
Secretary	Kevin Cropper	MSAR	Yes	N/A
Webmaster	Steve Weiss	SMRG	No	N/A
Ops	Bob Allam	PSAR	Yes	N/A
Training	Mark Creighton	SMRG	Yes	N/A
PA OMD	Keith Conover	AMRG	Yes	N/A
VA OMD	Marsh Cuttino		No	N/A
WV OMD	Carl Werntz	MARG	Yes	N/A
Medical	Don Scelza	AMRG	Yes	N/A
ADC	Kevin Maskell	BRMRG	Yes	N/A
Comms	Tom Lovejoy	SWVaMRG	No	N/A
PIO	<i>vacant</i>			N/A
Safety	Carl Werntz	MARG	Yes	N/A
Group Reps	Name		Present	Proxied To
AMRG	Keith Conover		Yes	
AMRG	Bill Evans		No	
BRMRG	Robert Koester		Proxied	Kevin Maskell
BRMRG	Kevin Maskell		Yes	
MARG	Carl Werntz		Yes	
MARG	Dan Patterson		No	
M/SAR	Kevin Cropper		Yes	
M/SAR	Andrew Dorsett		Yes	
PSAR	Suzen Collins		Yes	
PSAR	Steve Mitkowski		No	
PVRG	Stephanie Bean		Proxied	Evan Kato
PVRG	Randy Frank		No	
SMRG	Rene Carrier		Yes	
SMRG	Peter Pennington		Yes	
SWVaMRG	Andrew Dorsett		Yes	
SWVaMRG	James Harrison		Proxied	Andrew Dorsett
TSAR	Kevin Brewer		No	
TSAR	Billy Morgan		No	
At Large Attendance (Name, Group)				
Numerous				

Minutes:

1. Welcome by the Chair

- 1.1. A minute of silence was held in honor of Peter McCabe (MSAR), former ASRC Chair, Vice Chair, Ops Officer, and longtime conference member.
- 1.2. An invitation was extended to join the local Astronomy Club from 8 to 11 up at the park's main buildings following the meeting
- 1.3. NASAR cards were distributed.
- 1.4. The Chair began his term trying to get the conference to review itself, some of which has happened. Now he intends to put it together into a whole. The intention is to define our Operational Doctrine and build upon it, have our Training measured by ability, and make the Conference something members are proud to be a part of and want to better.
- 1.5. A warm welcome was extended to representatives from DELMARVA and TROT-SAR, two groups approved to join the Conference as Probationary members during the Board meeting.

2. Anniversary Pins.

- 2.1. The Vice Chair distributed awards for members who had attained multiples of five years of service with the Conference. Highlights included 20 years for Dave Carter (TSAR) and Art Dodds (MARG), as well as Don Scelza (AMRG) barking for Five year awards for two AMRG dogs.

3. Elections:

- 3.1. There were not enough Conference members and proxies present for quorum. The following appointments were announced:
 - 3.1.1. Treasurer to be passed from Amanda Harrison (BRMRG) to Kevin Maskell (BRMRG) later in April.
 - 3.1.2. Secretary was consolidated under Kevin Cropper (MSAR), who was previously Recording Secretary only.
 - 3.1.3. CTO had already transitioned to Mark Creighton (SMRG) after work took Billy Morgan (TSAR) away.
 - 3.1.4. Ops is now led by Bob Allam (PSAR) after the passing of Peter McCabe (MSAR).

4. Treasurer's Report:

- 4.1. The Treasurer reported the balance as of 06 April 2005 was \$6323.84, up \$89.37 from the balance reported 20 January 2005.
- 4.2. Due to the insurance bill, the Conference needs more money. Dues were already increased, but more is necessary.
- 4.3. A suggestion was made to ask the states to help fund operational costs (e.g., insurance); perhaps the Department of Homeland Security could help.

5. Training Officer's Report:

- 5.1. The CTO announced the following IC-III certifications:
 - 5.1.1. Don Scelza (AMRG),
 - 5.1.2. Kevin Maskell (BRMRG) (pending his imminent 21st birthday), and
 - 5.1.3. Carl Werntz (MARG).
- 5.2. He also announced the following IS certifications:

- 5.2.1. Mike Kennedy (SMRG)
 - 5.2.2. Peter Pennington (SMRG)
 - 5.2.3. Steve Weiss (SMRG)
 - 5.2.4. Dan Peterson (SMRG)
 - 5.2.5. Andrew Dorsett (MSAR)
 - 5.2.6. April Cropper (MSAR)
 - 5.3. FTL recertification clarifications will be distributed to GTOs and posted as Annexes to the Training Manual on the ASRC.net website.
6. **Operations Officer's Report:**
- 6.1. The 36-month review was completed.
 - 6.1.1. Six groups were recertified as "A" Groups: BRMRG, MARG, MSAR, SMRG, SWVaMRG, and TSAR.
 - 6.1.2. Three groups were certified as "B" Groups: AMRG, PSAR, and PVRG.
 - 6.2. The following operations officers were announced:
 - 6.2.1. Safety, retain Carl Wertz (MARG);
 - 6.2.2. Medical, retain Don Scelza (AMRG);
 - 6.2.3. Communications, appoint Keith Crabtree (SMRG), replacing Tom Lovejoy (SWVaMRG);
 - 6.2.4. ADC, appoint Mike Damkot (SMRG), replacing Kevin Maskell (BRMRG), with Becky Schooley (BRMRG) as assistant ADC.
 - 6.3. Documentation is expected within the quarter for Operational Doctrine, which will then be used to develop the Operations Manual within the half year.
7. **Position Shortfalls:**
- 7.1. The Conference is looking for an Infection Control Officer; interested members can contact the Chair or their BOD reps.
 - 7.2. The Conference is looking for a Public Information Officer (PIO); interested members can contact the Chair or their BOD reps.
 - 7.3. Assistance with an IT Committee, as well as a replace for the IT Guru, is being sought; interested members can contact the Webadmin at ASRC.net or their BOD reps.
8. **Future Meetings:**
- 8.1. 16 July 2005, BOD meeting; Winchester, VA
 - 8.2. 22-23 October 2005, BOD retreat and meeting; Chair is finding a location
 - 8.3. 21-22 January 2005, BOD meeting; location TBD
 - 8.4. 8-9 April 2005, BOD and GM; location TBD.
9. Pin 028 was retired in honor of Peter McCabe.
10. The meeting adjourned.