

**Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group**  
**Monthly Meeting Notes**  
**February 3 2009**

**1. Chair report/ General Announcements**

- a. Nominations for this years officers will held in March.
- b. The Board has set up a fundraising/marketing committee. Pete will be the chairman. The committee is currently looking for members.

**2. Operational Report**

- a. There were no callouts this month.
- b. Bru has possession of the AED. He will look into obtaining a new battery.

**3. Recap of Board Meeting.**

- a. The expanded NIMS requirements need to be met by Dec. 1, 2009. These courses are available online, and can be accessed via the AMRG website.
- b. The new ops manual was approved.
- c. The standard dues will be 40 dollars. This increase is needed to cover the team dues to external organizations. These will be due on Dec 1, 2009.
- d. There is also a 25 dollar due for members of other ASRC teams who want to be part of the MRA through AMRG.

**4. Non-training news from External Organizations**

- a. The ASRC meeting was January 10<sup>th</sup>.
  - 1. AMRG recertification was approved. We are now a Level A. This is the highest level and gives us 2 votes.
  - 2. Conference liability insurance was increased to a \$1 million, as per request from DCNR.
  - 3. ASRC budget includes the trailer rider for AMRG's trailer. AMRG will pay ASRC the money.
  - 4. There is a shortage of people certified for the Conference Dispatch Office. Anyone who is interested in this training can contact Ken.
- b. The location of the next PSARC meeting is to be announced. Maria and Lucas (PSARC reps) need to be put on the email list.
- c. The NCRC is looking for a new sub region coordinator.
- d. The MRA summer conference is in June.
  - 1. This is the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary
  - 2. New team tracking software will be rolled out.
  - 3. There are currently 92 teams nation wide.
  - 4. Recertification for the MRA is required every five years. AMRG will be take the recertification test in Stowe Vermont.
- e. The next Region 13 meeting will be Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>.

**5. Training Report**

- a. Feb7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> – winter bivy/ MRA training will be held in Ohiopyle.

- b. There will be additional MRA trainings on the 17<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup>. Check the team calendar for details.
- c. The PSO class will be held in Morgantown on Feb. 20-22<sup>nd</sup>. ASRC will reimburse 50 dollars for the class.
- d. There will be a Wilderness EMT training at Camp Souls in Sommerset starting March 13<sup>th</sup>.
- e. The ARSC general membership meeting will be held in Southern Virginia in April.
- f. There was a dog training last Sat. in the gamelands.

**6. Member Business**

- a. Bru made a motion for Don Scelza to become an ASRC IC-2. Maria 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The vote passed in favor of unanimously.