



Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group Board of Directors Meeting November 4, 2011

Directors Present

P Ken Chiacchia
Keith Conover
P Scott Jackson
P Ben McCandless
P Chris Ruch
P Don Scelza
P Joe Ray

Call-To-Order

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group, held at Mercy Hospital, was called to order at 5:35pm by Chris Ruch. There were five Directors present which constitutes a quorum.

The June minutes were presented for approval. Ray moved to accept. Scott seconded. Unanimous.

Business Conducted

Budget new Equipment Purchases

Antenna mast: Joe can get this device at cost. It will be ~\$100.
Deep cycle battery: This should be part of a repeater purchase if we buy one.
Trailer mods – AC: Breaker box, plugs, lights... Less than \$100
Portable radios: This in process. We are waiting for brochures from the provider.
Base radio: There is no need for a base radio.
GPS handhelds: We should work on a grant request for these. We need a solid proposal for this. We need to have a process in place for equipment tracking and usage. We need to have a procedure for distributed equipment. Ben will work on an SOP.
Computers: Work on a grant for these. Should we buy some cheap used ones before we get the grant in place? Ben will check into cheap computers. The Board will authorize \$500 for as many laptops as possible.
QRS: This has been approved for up to \$1,000. The medical officer was tasked to buy the equipment.

Don made a motion to spend the funds as listed above. Ken seconded. Unanimous

Brochures – Member based. This has been on the list for some time. The Board has approved the funds. We need to get the copy in place. This has been tasked to the Executive Director.

Board Meeting Schedule

We have been meeting on an ad hock basis. Do we need to schedule these? Schedule quarterly meetings second month of the quarter.

Social Media Policy

There is a policy in the works. Nothing to review at the current time.

Strategic Planning

Ben discussed the need to coordinate our long-term purchases to a strategic plan? We don't want to hold up immediate operational purchases. We should put a plan in place and try to figure this out. What is the long-term plan for AMRG? Where do we think search is going in the next five years?

Adjourn

Ken made a motion to adjourn. Ben Seconded. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:25pm