

Minutes
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE
Reno, NV June 1, 2011 7:00pm

Agenda Item 1

Subject: Opening Administrative Business

a. Call to Order President – Dan Hourihan called meeting to order at 1905 hrs.

b. Roll Call Secretary – George Rice

i. Dan Hourihan	P
ii. Monty Bell	P
iii. George Rice	P
iv. Rob Brewer	P
v. Howard Paul	A
vi. Paul Lake	P
vii. Lee Lang	P
viii. Paul Falavolito	P
ix. NSARC Rep – Dean Scott	A

Staff

Megan Bartlett	P
Ross Robinson	P
Jane Adere	P
Ellen Wingerd	P

c. Approval of May conference call- Brewer moved to approve the minutes of the meeting, Bell seconded, carried.

d. President's Report- Hourihan deferred his report to the External affairs-Agenda item 3.

e. Treasurer's Report- Bell reported revenues are up and expenses are down. He deferred to Robinson for most recent statements. Robinson reported additionally that educational product revenues have increased. The Letter of Credit pay-down is on schedule and will be cured before the end of the calendar year. The 2011 conference is on budget

Agenda Item 2

Subject: Executive Director's Report- 2011 Hotel booking has achieved contractual requirements. There has been some discussion on a joint conference with MRA for 2012. The pro's and con's of a joint conference were discussed.

Agenda Item 3

Subject: External Affairs Report- Hourihan reported he will be attending the National Sheriffs Association where he serves on 2 sub-committees. He will also attend the MRA annual

conference in June. He reported on the new officers of the State SAR Coordinators Council and reviewed their current goals.

Agenda Item 4

Subject: SAR Dog Committee Report- The committee is looking forward to working with the Water committee and Chairman Miller on the Swift Water Awareness Course for K9 handlers. The AKC has awarded the committee \$10,000 for training which will be produced at the 2012 NASAR conference.

Agenda Item 5

Subject: Ground Search Committee Report- Report was filed.

Agenda Item 6

Subject: Tracking Committee Report

Report was filed. The pilot course for students, as well assistant and principal instructor candidates was well attended and resulted in more instructors and assistants. The committee is looking at the process for credentialing.

Agenda Item 7

Subject: Water Committee Report

Miller reported with George Lewis. They are looking for a new track leader. They recommend NASAR develop Flood response training. They are looking for speaker presentations.

Agenda Item 8

Subject: Certification/Course Delivery Process Ad Hoc Committee Report

Bell reported on the problems of becoming instructors or evaluators as reviewed at the Jan. BOD meeting. He emphasized the need to put the burden on the Jurisdiction Having Authority (JHA) to determine candidates teaching skills and SAR Subject Matter Competency. Some problems are some programs are too expensive for many students; the programs are not offered within a reasonable distance of many students and are offered infrequently. There are not enough instructors. We need to get the Best SAR Practices out to the SAR community. We need to decentralize instruction and work with the SME's to achieve major results by mid 2012. We need consistency in re-certifications. We need to avoid any perception of watering down any standards. The goal is to get the Best Practices in the hands of good practitioners.

Agenda Item 9

Subject: Strategic Marketing Plan Working Group Report

Lang reported the new tag line is in use in the current conference materials.

Agenda Item 10

Subject: New business

Falavolito extended thanks to Miller for all he has done to achieve such great results with the water committee. The rest of the Board echoed the thanks.

Rice thanked Christensen for her leadership of and the results of the SAR Dog committee.

Agenda Item 11

Subject: FY 2011 Conference Call and Meeting Schedule

July 13, 2011 – 1pm Eastern Board of Directors Conference Call

September 14, 2011 – 1pm Eastern Board of Directors Conference Call –

Date changed to August 31st

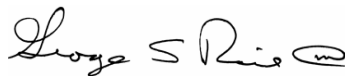
October 12, 2011 – 1pm Eastern Budget Conference Call

October 26, 2011 – 1pm Eastern Budget Conference Call

November 9, 2011 – 1pm Eastern Board of Directors Conference Call

Adjourned 2020 hrs.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "George S. Rice" followed by a small flourish.

George Rice, Secretary