

Mountain Rescue Association Rocky Mountain Region

Meeting of the Board of Directors Minutes - May 19, 2007

Meeting called to order at 4:17PM

Board Members in attendance:

Scott Messina, Regional Chair (Aspen)
Steve Chappell, Regional Vice Chair (RMRG)
Richard Solosky, Sec/Treasurer (Alpine)
Dawn Alperti, DAL (Routt County)
Doug Scholfield DAL (VMRG)

Roll call was taken and the following teams were in attendance.

- Alpine Rescue Team
- Crested Butte SAR
- Douglas County SAR
- El Paso SAR
- Grand County
- Mountain Rescue Aspen
- Rocky Mountain Rescue Group
- Summit County SAR
- Vail Mountain Rescue Group
- Western State Mountain Rescue Team

Additionally:

- Associate Member - Larimer County SAR
- Guest – Fran Sharp, Tacoma Mountain Rescue and current President, Mountain Rescue Association

Previous meeting minutes from 12/06 were tabled.

New Business:

- Proposed scenario guidelines were explained by Steve Chappell. Discussion included rationale for the guidelines were to ensure consistency in A/R exercises.
- Proposed Critique Guidelines were discussed. Scott Messina proposed that we send them to the region for review and suggestions.

- An evaluate the evaluator feedback form was discussed. Scott Messina suggested we send these to the region for feedback and incorporate them at the next full A/R Exercise.
- The adoption of using IKAR Avalanche flagging was discussed and all were in agreement that the region should adopt these standards, so when mutual aid calls occur we are all on the same page. There was no official ruling on the topic, but the Regional BOD strongly recommends all members adopt the standard.
- Fran Sharp discussed the use of Tacoma Mountain Rescues use of Guide-on cord for Avalanche Rescue.
- A/R Review:
 - AMRC passed their RE-Accreditation
 - Atalaya Mountain Rescue passed their initial Accreditation
 - Scott Messina motioned to nominate Atalaya Mountain Rescue to National. Seconded by Doug Schofield. Passed Unanimously
- It was mentioned that MRA reports are due by June 22, 2007
- Regional Website was discussed. Don Davis to remain the website manager
- MRA National Listserv to be now handled by David Kovar
- A discussion ensued on how long the region should keep A/R records. Scott Messina volunteered to talk to attorney Cavanaugh O'Leary on the subject and report back. Steve Zuckerman of VMRG also mentioned he would check on the subject with his attorney.

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Richard L. P. Solosky, MRA, Rocky Mountain Region Secretary Treasurer.