

MRA – Rocky Mountain Region Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2008 in Boulder, CO

Meeting was called to order at 18:08.

Teams Represented: Alpine, Atalaya, Aspen, Routt, Douglas, El Paso, Vail, Grand, RMR, Larimer, Summit.

Teams absent: Albuquerque, Western, Crested Butte.

The minutes of the winter meeting were approved.

There was a discussion about how long to keep (reaccreditation) records; some were worried about liability issues. Scott Messina said he would check with a lawyer.

There was a discussion on MRA National elections and proxy votes for the June meeting.

There was a discussion re: advertisements on the list server vs. announcements of items of interest. If a subscriber is in doubt about the appropriateness of a submission, he should write the Board for permission.

There was a discussion on credentialing standards and a presentation by Howard Paul on the history of resource typing and credentialing. He made a call for teams to educate their members and consider the benefits of conforming to new credentialing standards. Mike McDonald and Pat Paulson will keep the Region apprised of progress at the National level.

There will be a Regional training sponsored by Routt County on September 13. Subject to be determined, possibly search related. (Note: ended up training on aircraft search and ELTs)

There was a discussion on the Salt Lake City SAR issue with a new Sheriff and many old time members quitting.

The Flight For Life avalanche deployment program is moving forward.

The MRA has a new administrative list server. Each team should have at least one or two members on this new list server.

There was a reminder of the 50th Anniversary Meeting of the MRA next June at Timberline Lodge, Oregon.

Charlie Shimanski mentioned that it was the 20th anniversary of the Civil Air Patrol plane crash during the Silver Plume search for Keith Reinhard. Pilot Terry Leadens died in the crash.

Meeting was adjourned at 19:14.

Submitted by Greg Foley, Secretary