

M I N U T E S
2nd QUARTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 10, 2010
Ginnie Springs Outdoors
HIGH SPRINGS, FLORIDA

Present:

- * Jeff Bauer - President, Instructor Director (speaker phone)
- * Bert Wilcher – Treasurer, Instructor Director
- * Larry Green – Training Director, Instructor Director
- * Jacki Clark - Director
- * Tracy Grubbs – Director
- * Richard Dreher – Instructor Director
- * Rick Murcar – Vice-President, Director

* = Voting BOD Members QUORUM PRESENT

Debra Green - Operations Manager
Elisha Gibson – General Manager

Committee Chairs Present:

Committee Coordinator – Tracy Grubbs
Membership – Rick Murcar
Publications – Debra Green
Safety – Richard Dreher

Members Present:

Bob Schulte Sue Smith Jackie Anteau
Ralph DiPanfiloDon Syme Cheryl Courtney
Red Sullivan

MEETING OPEN 6:12 PM

Approval of January 9, 2010 minutes - Approved.

President's Report – Jeff Bauer – Been a busy quarter and everything has been running smoothly. Florida Springs Rally - NACD had member presence. NACD will look into getting more involved.

NACD 42nd Annual Seminar – Lure of the Labyrinth – November 6, 2010.

Peacock Kiosk update to BOD.

Vice-President's Report – Rick Murcar – Everything running smoothly. Nothing new to report.

Treasurer's Report – Bert Wilcher – report submitted, attached.

Federal Tax return filed with NACD accountant. State taxes up to date. Check into closing Primerica Account and moving to BOA account.

Sustaining Cave Contributor Fund - \$17,813.30, Cert Deposit from Judy Bauer - \$10,773.64, Primerica Financial Account - \$32,347.34, Procter and Gamble - \$3,816.77, Total assets- \$106,989.63.

Training Director's Report – Larry Green – report submitted, attached. Guidelines for Success book printed and passed out at Safety Day. Flooding and economy caused drop in certifications for quarter. New exams done and on instructor site.

Certification totals for 1st Quarter, 2010: Full – 23, Apprentice –5, Intro to Cave – 10, Double Cylinder/Intro to Cave – 19, Cavern – 21, Specialties – 13, Total 91.

IEC Dates for 2010 – Nov.29-30- Cavern – Intro Instructor, Dec. 1-2 – Cave Instructor.

56 Active instructors

Operations Manager – Debra Green – Busy quarter, everything running smoothly. Safety day a success.

General Manager – Elisha Gibson – Working on Art Book and misc. projects, along with warehouse filing.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Coordinator – Tracy Grubbs

Accident Advisory – J. Bozanic – absent, report submitted, on file. Cave diving fatality in Spain last week. Have a volunteer who will help chase down leads on data for accident analysis.

Conservation – Ben Gillespie – absent, no report submitted.

Equipment & Technology – Marius Clore – absent, no report submitted.

Exploration & Survey – Michael Poucher – absent, report submitted. Received report on the Weeki Wachee Exploration Project for 2009. It contains a lot of good information and pictures. Funding requests are due by Jan 1, 2011 and have asked the journal editor and webmaster to add to sites. Exploration and survey at Manatee Springs is starting again. Bob Schulte and Maruis Frei have done some dives back to the Spring Tunnel and brought back survey data. Andrew Pitkin and I plan to continue survey in the Sewer Tunnel.

Bob Schulte headed up project at Madison Blue. This is being done under the permit obtained by Wayne Kinard. Progress has been slow but Bob is breathing new life into the project.

Tentative plan to do something in the Marianna area this year, possibly a dry cave workshop.

Membership & Nominating – Rick Murcar – Membership total is 1008. 37 NACD Business Facilities.

Public Relations – Craig Walters – report submitted, attached. Primary activity was planning and prep for the 2010 “Spring into Safe Cave Diving” event on April 10, 2010, including announcements, online forums and distribution of announcements.

Publications – Debra Green - NACD Store running smoothly. Looking into new products for the NACD.

Safety Officer – R. Dreher III – report submitted, attached.

No accidents reported this quarter. 6 NACD Warning Signs sent for Lake Mead, NV, article will follow.

Science – Donald Kendrick – report submitted, attached

The water quality in TN was shipped to Arkansas, used to test some river waters. Then it was transported to Poplar Bluff Missouri to test the lake and cave waters there.

We found and explored another cave system in Rutherford Co. The downstream passage is large and deep, to just over 100', and goes. The upstream passage is likewise large and deep, going to over 160'. A couple thousand feet of knotted line laid and no end in sight; appears to get bigger and deeper. We found the southern cavefish and a few albino crayfish. It is very likely that the

albino cavefish will prove to be a new species, but I have not captured any to find out. I am hoping to do a DNA study of the southern crayfish. Grant writing to the TN Wildlife Resource Agency is in progress; will keep the NACD updated.

Webmaster – Shirley Kasser – absent, report submitted, attached. All is quiet in the digital world. Keeping website updated and new information comes in.

Additional statistics are available, ad nauseam, so feel free to contact me for me information. Suggestions, requests, and content are welcome and appreciated. On second thought: suggestions, requests, and content are requested! This is your website and sharing your thoughts on how to make it better is the best way to help it improve.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. DEMA – working on final details, discussion.
2. NACD Seminar – “The Dark Realm” – still working on final details.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Sidemount Discussion

The next quarterly meeting of the NACD BOD will be on Saturday, July 10, 2010 at Ginnie Springs Outdoors, 6 PM.

MEETING ADJOURNED 8:25 PM
