

M I N U T E S
2nd QUARTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
April 12, 2008
Ginnie Springs Outdoors
HIGH SPRINGS, FLORIDA

Present:

- * Jeff Bauer - President, Instructor Director
- * Larry Green – Training Director, Instructor Director
- * Tracy Grubbs – Director
- * Rick Murcar – Vice-President, Director (skype)
- * Horst Schmid – Director (skype)

Absent

- * Richard Dreher – Secretary/Treasurer Interim, Instructor Director
- * Bert Wilcher, Director

* = Voting BOD Members QUORUM PRESENT

Debra Green - Operations Manager
Sean Denney – General Manager

Committee Chairs Present:

Journal – Jeff Bauer
Publications – Debra Green

Members Present:

Alex Warren Ben Bright
Alan Owens Corey Mearns
Craig Walters

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Approval of January 12, 2008 minutes - Approved.

President's Report – Jeff Bauer – present. Appointment of Horst Schmid to the empty Director seat on the NAD BOD, done accordingly with NACD By-laws. Unanimous. Welcome to Horst and look forward to working together. Horst will be using Skype to communicate with us from Austria. Thanks to everyone who helped getting the NACD European website up and running.

Beneath the Sea – Thanks to Richard and Stacy Dreher who took the nacd products to NJ. Also a thank you to David & Amber Ramael and Ernie Rookey who volunteered their time in the booth.

BOD Meeting Dates: July 12, 2008 & October 11, 2008.

General Membership Meeting – November 15, 2008 – Paramount Plaza Hotel, Gainesville.

NACD SEMINAR – “40 Years and Beyond” – Nov 15, 2008, Paramount Plaza.

NACD Social – Nov 14, 2008 – 6 PM – Ginnie Springs Outdoors

Vice-President’s Report – Rick Murcar – nothing new to report.

Treasurer’s Report – Richard Dreher (Interim Treasurer) – report submitted, attached.

Arrangements for bill paying between OM and President much more efficient. Agriculture dept paid and taxes have been delivered and being prepared by NACD Accountant.

Training Director's Report – Larry Green

Certification totals for 1st Quarter, 2008, Total 147. Full – 38, Apprentice –15, Intro to Cave – 33, Cavern – 52, Spec. – 9. 53 Active Instructors

NACD IEC dates are posted on website: Nov 10/11 – Cavern / Intro to Cave – Nov 12/13 – Full Cave

Discussion about NACD and CDS doing joint IUCRR (International Underwater Cave Rescue/Recovery) Workshop one time a year, in January, Presidents Day Weekend.
NACD 2nd Annual Rebreather Summit – November 16, 2008 at Camp Kalaqua where the NACD held their 1st Seminar 40 years ago.
Ginnie Springs Line Committee active again. Discussion about Code of Ethics.

Operations Manager – Debra Green – Busy quarter. Everything running smooth. Volunteer needed in warehouse for filing. Looking for volunteers to help out at NACD social and seminar. Thanks to Sean Denney for all his hard work on scanning the journals to produce DVD's and preserve the history of nacd journals. 1st 10 years will be available this quarter. NACD full page color ads in Scuba News and Diving Adventure Magazine. Thanks to Bill Lester for his help with NACD Graphic projects, including DVD production and ads. Will secure better connection for communication with bod members at ginnie springs classroom before next bod meeting. Cylinder donation project in works to get old/damaged cylinders out of circulation for public service.

General Manager – Sean Denney – report submitted. First 20 years of journals are at print and the third decade on the way soon. The redesign of the nacd catalog in the works.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Coordinator – Tracy Grubbs – busy quarter.

Accident Advisory – J. Bozanic – absent, report submitted, attached, on file.

Conservation – Jason Ottinger – absent, report submitted, attached. I want to thank NACD members for their continual support to the Sustaining Cave Program. I would also like to thank those that have helped Camp Indian Springs monetarily through diver donations and through volunteer hours in January and March of this year at the Camp's quarterly work parties.

Exploration & Survey – Alex Warren appointed to Exploration/Survey chair. Unanimous. Many thanks to James Hurley for his hard work and support of the NACD for several years as former Exploration/Survey chairman. Thank you letter will be sent to Hurley on behalf of NACD.
Funding \$1,000.00 to WWKP. Unanimous on the contingency of defining what Deep and Exploration Deep limitations are.

Journal - Jeff Bauer – Looking for new articles, please submit them to journal@safecavediving.com.

Membership & Nominating – Rick Murcar – Membership total is 1082. 28 Business Facility members.

Public Relations – Craig Walters appointed to Public Relations chair. Unanimous. Thank you to Walter Pickel for his work in PR chair for past several years. Many activities are in the works. Ben Bright will head up the Chili Cook off at our seminar social this year.

Publications – Debra Green - NACD Store running smoothly. Sales increasing steadily. New products being introduced next quarter.

Safety Officer – R. Dreher III – absent, no report submitted.

Science – Donald Kendrick – The Science Committee has added several new members and is currently creating a list of all members of the committee and their contact information.
The Science Committee has completed the purchase of equipment and supplies for a second water quality test kit. One kit is currently with Joel and Jackie Clark in High Springs, Florida. The newer kit is with Skip Kendrick in Murfreesboro, TN. The plan is have both kits available for check-out by NACD members and by others with permission. Forms and protocols for checking out the kits are in progress. Additionally, Water Quality Testing Workshops are being planned and we hope to offer at least two such workshops this year.

Three articles for publication are in progress. One concerns water quality in Florida aquifers, one continues the series on cave life (specifically amphipods and copepods), and one presents the findings of recent research on the personality of cave divers compared to scuba divers and nondivers.

Webmaster – Shirley Kasser – absent, report submitted. Very busy with website. Need more pictures. Online store running smoothly. Suggestion of picture contest, details discussed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

DEMA – VEGAS – everything in order and NACD will be at booth #3444. Konstantin Kovalenko, Richard Hicks and Suzan Woodall will help with the NACD booth.

NSS Convention – looking for volunteers to attend.

NEW BUSINESS:

NSS Dive Show – Lake City August 11-15th. The NACD will attend.

The next quarterly meeting of the NACD BOD will be on Saturday, April 12th, at Ginnie Springs Outdoors, 6 PM.

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