

M I N U T E S  
3rd QUARTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
July 9, 2011  
Ginnie Springs Outdoors  
HIGH SPRINGS, FLORIDA

Present:

- \* Jeff Bauer - President, Instructor Director (phone)
- \* Larry Green – Training Director, Instructor Director
- \* Don Syme – Instructor Director

Absent:

- \*Jacki Clark – Director
- \*Rick Murcar – VP, Director
- \* Bert Wilcher – Treasurer, Instructor Director
- \* Tracy Grubbs – Director

\* = Voting BOD Members      QUORUM NOT PRESENT

Debra Green - Operations Manager  
Elisha Gibson – General Manager

Committee Chairs Present:  
Publications – Debra Green  
Science – Nic Alvarado

Members Present: Orié Braun

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Approval of April 9, 2011 Minutes - Approved.

President's Report – Jeff Bauer –. NACD running smoothly. Very sorry to report the loss of members of our cave diving community this past quarter - Jim Miller and Richard DeVan.

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

Treasurer's Report – Bert Wilcher – detailed report submitted, on file.  
Total Assets - \$100,903.05. CD \$10,824.99, Primerica Account - \$32,399.17 P&G Account – \$4,007.32. Still looking into moving the money in the Primerica Account.

Training Director's Report – Larry Green – report submitted, attached. It has been a very busy quarter. Total student certifications 137. 60 Active Instructors.  
Cavern 44, Intro to Cave 10, Doubles Intro 16, Apprentice 17, Cave 44, Specialty 6.

General Manager – Elisha Gibson – no report submitted.

Operations Manager – Debra Green – Busy quarter.

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Coordinator – Tracy Grubbs

Accident Advisory – J. Bozanic – Working on re-doing the Accident Analysis data base with current information.

Conservation – Rob Neto – Working with Current Problems in the Great Suwannee River Cleanup event that kicks off in September. NACD is now a Business Sponsor of Current Problems and I will be working with Sandy Robinson to organize the cleanup efforts of the Suwannee River section adopted by the NACD. We will be focusing on both above and below the surface cleanup activities.

Equipment & Technology – Marius Clore – absent, no report submitted. Discussed areas that could be pursued by the Equipment & Technology Committee. Article planned together with Tracy Grubbs on the different types of reels and how to use them.

Exploration & Survey – Michael Poucher – working with NACD projects for articles and seminar presentations. Remainder of funding to be paid to projects, as agreed.

Membership & Nominating – Rick Murcar – Membership total is 1102. 36 NACD Business Facilities.

Public Relations –

An article on the March 19<sup>th</sup> clean-up at Madison Blue Springs State Park was written for the second quarter 2011 NACD Journal.

An article on the April 9<sup>th</sup> Safety Day was written for the second quarter 2011 NACD Journal. I had another conversation with Linda at Cave Excursions concerning the NACD booth at REACT this year. REACT will be held on Saturday, October 29. I will plan to be there but could use another volunteer for ½ a day.

The NACD manned a booth at the NSSCDS workshop in Marianna on May 28, 2011. We did not sell memberships and products but handed out brochures and recent NACD Journal issues. The NACD donated an NACD membership as a door prize (may have been more but I just happened to be in the room when this was drawn.) We also had a chance to talk to attendees regarding the NACD.

The NACD resent a letter to Phillip Lehman to assist him in educating open water divers in the Dominican Republic on the dangers of cave diving. This was in a response to a post from him on Cave Divers Forum regarding open water divers and instructors making cave dives in the Dominican Republic. As a result of this, the NACD is talking to Phillip about the possibility of being a Safety Officer in the DR.

Debra Green, Rob Neto, and Sandy Robinson have had communication regarding the second annual Great Suwannee River Cleanup. The kick off date for the event is Saturday, September 10 at the Branford Boat Ramp. The location and our date is to be determined.

Future ideas:

- A follow-up clean up at madison
- Contacting Doug Rorex regarding a cleanup at Cannonball.

Publications – Debra Green - NACD Store running smoothly. A lot of new products added to inventory.

Safety Officer – R. Dreher III – report submitted, on file. No outstanding safety concerns on the reports turned in this quarter. New safety officer list attached and will be updated on the website.

Science – Nic Alvarado – report submitted, on file.

Casey Coy (Florida Aquarium) will be presenting on Dr. John Giffor's (Univ. of Miami-Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Sciences) Little Salt Spring project. This project is an

archaeological sites in the state known for its wealth of information about the first Floridians more than 12,000 years ago. The sinkhole's water chemistry and temperature have helped to create a one-of-a-kind, prehistoric submerged site where late Paleoindian and archaic artifacts have been excavated from a portion of the spring basin. Casey Coy and John Gifford have agreed to write something up for our journal for the 3rd quarter which should coincide with the NACD annual meeting,

We held a training session on the water testing kit on July 9th.

Orie Braun has joined the Science Committee team and will look to update the current kit and provide feedback (if any) on what needs to be changed in the kit. Will also start scheduled testing sites.

Webmaster – Shirley Kasser – Website showing a lot of activity. Thanks to all the contributors to the website.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Man In The Sea Museum – Panama City, FL – Don Syme talked to Mike Zinzer about updating the booth, September 24<sup>th</sup>. Will follow-up with that.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

The next quarterly meeting of the NACD BOD will be on Saturday, October 8, 2011 at Ginnie Springs Outdoors, 6 PM.

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