

M I N U T E S
1st QUARTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
January 8, 2011
Ginnie Springs Outdoors
HIGH SPRINGS, FLORIDA

Present:

- * Jeff Bauer - President, Instructor Director
- * Larry Green – Training Director, Instructor Director
- * Bert Wilcher – Treasurer, Instructor Director
- * Tracy Grubbs – Director
- * Don Syme – Instructor Director
- *Jacki Clark - Director
- *Rick Murcar – VP, Director

* = Voting BOD Members QUORUM PRESENT

Debra Green - Operations Manager
Elisha Gibson – General Manager

Committee Chairs Present:

Committee Coordinator – Tracy Grubbs
Exploration/Survey – Michael Poucher
Publications – Debra Green

Members Present:

Walter Pickel	Chris Corbett	Joel Clark
Red Sullivan	Sam Pomerleau	Loretta Engler
Chad Engler		

MEETING OPEN 6:06 PM

Approval of October 9, 2010 Minutes - Approved.

Approval of November 6, 2010 General Membership Minutes - Approved

Position of President, nomination for Jeff Bauer – Approved, Unanimous

Position of VP, nomination for Rick Murcar – Approved, Unanimous

Position of Treasurer, nomination for Bert Wilcher – Approved, Unanimous

Appointment of General Manager, Elisha Gibson – Approved, Unanimous

Appointment of Training Director, Larry Green – Approved, Unanimous

Appointment of Committee Coordinator, Tracy Grubbs – Approved, Unanimous

President's Report – Jeff Bauer – Busy quarter. Thank you to our membership for supporting the NACD in this economic turnover. Our condolences to Shirley Kasser and her family.

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

Treasurer's Report – Bert Wilcher – detailed report submitted, on file. 2010 was a challenging year - revenue streams down. The NACD is up to date on state taxes. Total Assets - \$101,550.31. Sustaining Cave Program \$18,261.75.

Training Director's Report – Larry Green – report submitted, attached. It has been a busy quarter. Total student certifications 81.

General Manager – Elisha Gibson – report submitted. Working on NACD events and promotion of safe cave diving / distribution of information to the public.

Operations Manager – Debra Green – Busy quarter, everything running smoothly. Wakulla Award deadline – October 15, 2011.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee Coordinator – Tracy Grubbs – Working with each committee to update goals/duties and show more activity.

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

Conservation – OPEN

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

Exploration & Survey – Michael Poucher – 2 Projects turned in for funding before the December 31, 2010 deadline to be funded for 2011.

1. Sistema Sin Nombre and Duck Pond, Cozumel, Mexico - \$500.00 - \$1,000.00 funding request. Full funding approved, unanimous.
2. M2 Blue System Exploration Project - \$500.00 - \$1,000.00 funding request. Full funding approved, unanimous.

Membership & Nominating – Rick Murcar – Membership total is 1029. 36 NACD Business Facilities.

Public Relations – Sandy Robinson – report submitted, attached.

Safety Day 2011, April 9, 2011 added to calendar.

I have communicated several times with Christine Small with eco-VolunteerUSA asking about potential clean-up projects at one of the Florida state parks. I suggested a ½ day clean-up at a park such as Madison or Lafayette that may be

convenient for divers and does not have a support group like Peacock. It will likely be early in 2011 before Christine has anything for us. The AmeriCorp Volunteers from 2010 have left and new volunteers start in January. Since they largely run the volunteer programs in the state parks, turnover is creating a delay. I am thinking of a Saturday in March for the cleanup. Thanks to Walter Pickel for this lead.

The NACD had a booth at REACT at Cave Excursions on October 30. We sold one lifetime membership, a three-year membership and several annual memberships. Also, we had some merchandise sales and gave out some door prizes and give a ways. Thank you to Elisha Gibson and Bob Schulte for their assistance in manning the booth and transporting merchandise to and from Luraville.

The NACD will have a booth at the Cave Divers Forum at Ginnie Springs Outdoors on January 1, 2011, at which we will provide door prizes and merchandise sales.

Don Syme and Sandy Robinson visited the Man in the Sea Museum in Panama City on October 2. We introduced ourselves to Mike DeGroot, one of the museum employees and looked at the existing exhibit. Don took some pictures to help determine what improvements can be made to the current display. A follow-up visit was scheduled for December 11 but has been rescheduled for an undetermined date.

Through monitoring of the various dive related forums, we noted one request for the NACD to be on LinkedIn. I am not sure if this is a possibility. Also, the NACD is in process of sending a letter to Philip Lehman in the DR that can be delivered to local dive shops educating them on issues related to cave diving.

Publications – Debra Green - NACD Store running smoothly. No new products.

Safety Officer – R. Dreher III – no report submitted. Working with Grubbs to have updated list of Safety Officers/Regions.

Science – Nic Alvarado – report submitted, attached. Did presentation at the NACD Seminar. Will plan water quality workshop for members.

Webmaster – Shirley Kasser – report submitted, website showing a lot of activity.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Man In The Sea Museum – Panama City, FL – Don Syme provided details of updating the exhibit for the NACD. Looking at complete rigs for side-mount, sump and back-mount diving. Will keep in contact with the museum.

NEW BUSINESS:

The next quarterly meeting of the NACD BOD will be on Saturday, April 9, 2011 at Ginnie Springs Outdoors, 6 PM.

MEETING ADJOURNED 7:15 PM