

# MAINE ASSOCIATION FOR SEARCH AND RESCUE

Sept. 13, 2009

Sidney IFW Headquarters

The meeting was called to order by president Dave Martin at 1:00. Present were: Jan Hatch and Nancy Weeks, MMESAR, Joan Cameron came in at 1:30; Mike Sawyer, John Blagdon, IF&W; Randy & Lisa Michaud, James Michaud, North Star; CB Spady, Lorraine Spady, Mid-Coast SAR; Jennifer Fisk, Paul Magoon, Deb Palman, MESARD; Steve Hudson, MDISAR; Mick Womersley, Unity SAR; Harvey King, Waldo County SAR; Joe Poulin, Wilderness Rescue Team; Dale Soucier and Richard Bowie, DEEMI.

There was a quorum. Teams represented were Mid Maine Equestrian SAR, Dirigo, MDISAR, MESARD, Waldo County SAR, North Star SAR, Mid Coast SAR,

Dave noted that a phone board conference was held Thursday night and voted to hold off election until December meeting and dues got paid. Bi-Laws state that individual members must be current on dues prior to nominations. The legality of the officers was challenged.

Richard Bowie made a motion that the Board of Directors take over the meeting. Seconded by Dale Saucier. Motion was defeated.

Treasurer's report was passed out. Randy made a motion, seconded by Jennifer, to accept treasurer's report as passed out. Joe Poulin submitted a statement that the check for \$500 was returned by the bank. A replacement check was given.

IRS 990 form, don't know if it was filed. Dave will check with Julie for the password.

Education report: Mick discussed the LCSAR class which certified about 40 people. Jim Bridge has been working on updating a lesson plan and test. Steve read Jim's report.

The secretary's report was passed out. Motion made by Jan Hatch, Jennifer seconded. Passed.

Finance committee: Dave Martin wasn't sure who was on committee. Randy thought it was Randy, Julie, Bob Bohlmann. No action was taken by the committee.

Standards Committee: Steve reported that standards were being reviewed and would go to all the teams for review before the vote.

RESOURCE LIST: Mick Womersley reported that he had updated the resource list and passed it out to the duty officers and warden service. Mick has created a webpage at: [www.masarresourcelist.blogspot.com](http://www.masarresourcelist.blogspot.com)

Search reports: no callouts. Discussed some searches that did not require call outs. Steve Hudson said that MDISAR was called on the Acadia wave incident but there was nothing they could do by the time they got there.

Old Business:

Deb asked if the donation had been received for Mid Maine Equestrian SAR. Nancy reported that she did not receive the MASAR 501C3 paperwork in the stuff she got from Dave Martin.

Lost but found video: Dave reported that he had shown the video and it is excellent.

NEW BUSINESS: Dave asked if anyone would like to host the 2010 seminar. Randy Michaud offered. The MASAR preferred date is the 1<sup>st</sup> weekend in May. Wilderness is doing their own team training October 17<sup>th</sup> and space is available for other teams to attend. Date will be May 1-2, 2010.

Website Manager: need one. Currently we pay \$120 every 6 months with eMaine Hosting LLC. Reggie Archer of EMaine hosting does the updating.

By-law revision: Board of Directors stated that the committee should propose some immediate changes to be voted on at the December meeting. Dave appointed Harvey as chairman. Deb, Randy, and Dave Martin will be on committee.

Pat Dorian's retirement party info was passed around. Jennifer made a motion that we spend up to \$50 for an appropriate give. Seconded by Steve Hudson. Passed.

Doug Tibbetts also retired. Kevin Adam will be the contact.

If Julie Jones intends to resign, then the duty officers need to be forwarded to York county. The duty officer has to be reachable. Randy will take Julie and Mark Sairio's weeks for the rest of the year. Dave requested that Mike Sawyer give DO an updated list of wardens.

Steve Hudson reported that the DO can not call out uncertified units or members on its own. Warden service needs to request these teams if needed. Certified team members can include uncertified members if they are in process of certification.

Fundraising committee: consists of Andrea Stone, Randy Michaud, Bob Bohlmann, Julie Jones. North Star does a calendar and it raises \$3-4,000. Randy will check with the vendor. Randy suggested collection cans at stores. Janice Hatch asked about Steven King donation. Randy suggested going to bottle redemption stores and asking for a portion of the funds. Joe stated that fundraising should be held off until the by-laws are passed.

BASAR Oct 3-4 in Union, with field work 2 weeks later. Contact person is CB Spady.

Nancy Weeks reported that patches are available.

Randy made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Joe, and adjourned at 3:50 pm  
Next meeting December 13<sup>th</sup> 1:00 at IFW Bangor office.

Nancy Weeks, secretary