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MASAR Secretary's Notes

Dave Martin chaired this meeting in John's absence. We had a record turnout this month with 18 present. The meeting, held in Gray, opened at 1340 with the reading of the Secretary's record from the February meeting held in Sidney. The notes were accepted unanimously. (The chair abstained.)

The Treasurer's report was read at 1350 noting the additions of the Eastern Mountain Sports donation and 3 checks submitted by Sarah Robinson. We also have two new individual members: Julie Erb and Stuart Cady Sr. The motion to accept the report was made and it was unanimously accepted.

At 13:53, Steve Hudson gave a very quick review on what occurred during the standard's committee that met right before this meeting. Rick Farris followed with the 1992 financial audit report. Rick, Julie Erb and Peter Kliem audited the report and found everything to be in order.

At 1356, Carter Smith gave the recommendation that Moosehorn in Calais would be the best location for a two day spring training area. The best time might be as early as the beginning of May. Baxter State Park is unwilling to host such a training. Carter also reported that he has petitioned the warden service to appoint 2 warden service representatives to join 2 MASAR representatives to form a committee to plan the details of the spring training. The formal motion to create and appoint two MASAR members for the training was unanimously approved with no discussion. No one has been nominated for the positions. Dave mentioned that we might think about amending the Bylaws to establish two or three standing committees.

Don Littlefield followed with a membership card committee report. Samples of id cards will be available next time. Comments were made desiring that specialties, recognitions, and dates should be included on the id. Steve made the motion that the membership card committee is directed to have a draft proposal by the next meeting. Motion was unanimous.

At 1410 came the 1993 Symposium report by Sue Webb. So far, she has collected potential courses for the curriculum and suggested that we charge \$100 per vendor booth and \$50 for a table for catalogues. Sue requested that the symposium committee be formed so that the work can continue. Steve asked that we accept the report first, then create the committee. Steve motioned to accept the initial recommendations. The motion was accepted with some discussion. The vote was unanimous. William Ricker motioned that we establish the symposium committee with representatives from four teams with Dave Martin as chair for this year's symposium. Motion was unanimous. The 1993 MASAR Symposium Committee members are: Dave Martin - chair, Toni

Dewsnap, Sue Webb, Rick Farris, and Peter Kliem.

Steve brought up the point that we should define what the symposium committee is responsible for. William Ricker motioned that the committee should have the authority of setting prices, vendor booth prices, the symposium location, and the curriculum. This was amended to read that prices of attending and vendor booths will be recommended to the MASAR Board of Directors for approval. Also amended are that the committee will be responsible for advertising, continuing education unit credits (CEUs), the brochures, mailings, and the meals. Added to that is that making t-shirts are optional and that the committee is to cooperate fully with the sponsoring teams. Discussion followed with a rereading of the amended motion and price setting. Randy motioned that MASAR use last year's prices and allow some freedom to negotiate with vendors. This was 1st and 2nded. This motion was amended to read that the committee be able to negotiate and to document such negotiations. This was 1st and 2nded. Finally, the whole motion was 1st, 2nded, and voted unanimously. Steve motioned that the committee be given the authority to set prices on catalogue tables. This was unanimous.

Dave tossed the idea around that we need to improve the callout system for the symposium in the event that we have another search during the symposium. Julie motioned that we should set up an "OD Booth" at the symposium to coordinate resources in the event of one. This was 2nded and then discussed. William Ricker motioned that we amend this by having a central information booth maintained by the hosts. A search situation should be handled by the OD. This was accepted and unanimous. The suggestion was also made that we should decide on the hosts for next year at the annual meeting.

It's 1500 and Dave asks if there is anything else? Carter makes a report on the Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife situation in legislature.

Afterwards, more loose discussion on ideas for the symposium were brought up. One recommendation, made by Perry Hopkins, was that a two day Incident Command System (ICS) could be taught free of charge by Steve Harding, ICS instructor for the Maine Forest Service. Carter opposed this recommendation stating that such training must be approved and taught by the Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Discussion on this ended.

Perry asked if anyone has a 1992 symposium mailing list. Randy Armour said he had one and would make it available to Perry.

At 1515, Dave asked for any other old business. Any new business? Comments on voting procedures were made. At 1525 Michele Fleury motioned that we need to revise Bylaws on the following: If a member is voting as a team representative, then he/she cannot vote as an individual. The point of this is to not allow double voting on an issue. This was 2nded and heavily discussed by Steve. The motion was withdrawn.

Still not resolved is electing members for the training committee. This was moved to be put under new business for the

next MASAR meeting.

Managing the Search Function (MSF) was rescheduled for MAY. The dates are the 15th, 16th, and the 22nd. The course will be held in the Bangor area. Please contact Dave Martin for details. At 1335 came the motion to adjourn. This was unanimous.

Attendance for 07 MAR 93:

Steve Hudson, Dave Martin, Peter Kliem, Rick Farris, Randy Armour, Stuart cady, William Ricker, Don Littlefield, Julie Erb, Sue Webb, Carter Smith, Jennifer Applegate, Carol McAboy, Heather Houlihan, Perry Hopkins, Toni Dewsnap, Janet Westwood, and Michele Fleury.

Secretary's Note:

Please change MESARD representative to:
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207-873-5572. Also note that the PO Box 108 for MESARD is no longer valid. Mail is being returned by the post office.

The next MASAR meeting will be held in Bangor at the headquarters for the Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife. Meeting time is scheduled for 1300 hours.

Respectfully submitted,

Peter Kliem, Secretary.