



Far West Division
Board of Directors Meeting
Mammoth Inn, Mammoth Lakes, California
Friday, August 6, 2010



Meeting called to order: 9:10 a.m. by Division Director Stephen Simi

Roll Call: Stephen Simi, DD; Bill Gibson, ADD; Curt Grube, Ari RD; Bill Hummer, ES RD; Jim Simons ML RD; Jason "JJ" Allen, NorCA RD; Don Harris, SoCA RD; Rich Bailey, Prof. Pat. Rep. Absent: Lance Vaughan, ADD.

Proxies: Ken Bergmann for ADD L. Vaughan

Treasurer: Keith Dickens; Secretary: Janice Waits.

Meeting Chair: Stephen Simi

Secretary, Minutes: Janice Waits

Parliamentarian: Ken Bergmann

Agenda: Accepted as amended

Introduction of staff, program supervisors, and guests

MOTIONS: passed unanimously unless noted

- Acceptance of Treasurer's 2009/2010 Budget report
- 2010-2011 Budget accepted as submitted (including additional \$193 expense SM-10-3).
- To confirm/lock contracts for 2011 Winter Education Conference at Northstar, March 12 & 13, 2011.
- To break SM-10-2 into two parts, SM-10-2.1 and SM-10-2.2. To be considered and voted on as two separate proposals.

PROPOSAL(S): passed unanimously unless noted

- SM-10-1 TABELLED It is proposed to allocate \$16,240.00 of the Community College Educational Income Fund to help purchase and/or subsidize the upcoming roll out of the 5th edition of "Outdoor Emergency Care" books and instructor materials for Far West Division OEC Instructors and Instructor Trainers. \$9,090 would be used to purchase OEC Instructor Sets for FWD OEC Instructor Trainers and those Instructors of Record who will be teaching a full OEC course between June and December, 2011. (An Instructor set consists of one OEC Book, including OEC Study Book, and one OEC Instructor Manual). \$7,150 would be used to subsidize purchase of the new 5th Edition Outdoor Emergency Care materials credit toward the purchase of the new book, study book or instructor manual for other ACTIVE OEC (as indicated by their submitted activity reports) instructors.

MOTIONS/AMENDED/Seconded: to open SM-10-01 pending an investigation of actual costs of materials, for 1) a possible cost sharing at the Division, Region, and local patrol levels AND further *Amended* to include 2) discussion of possible for a 'grant' to provide the manuals to every patroller in the Division at no cost to Division or Regions. (note: S. Simi investigating grant possibilities).

- SM-10-2.1 DEFEATED It is proposed that the Division alternate the Summer Conference, along with the Board of Directors Meeting between Southern California and North Central California. Meeting in



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Southern California on even years and North Central California on odd years. (4 nay, 1 yea, 1 abstention)

- **SM-10-2.2 PASSED** That the FWD Board form a standing conference committee consisting of the Far West Division Director, Asst Directors, Treasurer, Division Conference Coordinator and a Region Director from the respective geographic area. Other members of the committee would consist of any additional staff as the BOD would see fit to meet the local needs.

- **SM-10-3 PASSED** Request for \$195 for 1/3 share of cost of 5 bullhorns for the FWD Northern California SAR team. One large and 4 smaller (light weight) bullhorns to be carried by teams of 2. These horns will enable our team to inform lost parties that a search is underway, and possibly to assist in their location. We are proposing that FWD, ESR, and MLR equally share in the total cost of \$585 (including tax and shipping).
See Motions: 2010-2011 budget passed to include this \$195 expenditure.

APPOINTMENTS: Prior confirmation by email.

- Mike Kelly – Nordic Supervisor
- Doug Gilchrist – Outdoor Emergency Transport

FUTURE DATES:

- November 5-7, 2010 – Tri-Advisory Conference, Yosemite
- December 6, 2010 – Election, nominations due for Div. Dir. And Asst. Div. Dir.
- March 12, 2011 – Winter Board meeting – Northstar
- March 12-13, 2011 – Winter Education Conference – Northstar
 - March 9-11, 2011 – Squaw Valley Senior Clinic
- August 5-7, 2011 – Summer Board Meeting, Education Conference. Location TBD

REPORTS: included in meeting folder unless noted

- Conference Coordinator – S. Simi reporting
Looking for new supervisor names. T. Atkins & R. Berg willing to work as a team, possible of R. Green. J. Simons suggested two people, 1 North, 1 South.
- Secretarial Items: J. Waits
Election Reports
Rosters – missing Arizona and Nor. Cal.
- Registrar: P. Jamison
Discussed and requested assistance from Region Directors on late registering patrols
- Treasurer – K. Dickens
2009-2010 Expenditure report – note conference expenditure overages
- Legal – S. Foreman absent no written report, S. Simi reviewed activities i.e. involved at National Level and with the CA helmet law



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- Division Reports
 - Division Director – S. Simi
- Assistant Division Director(s) Report
 - B. Gibson
 - R. Evenson — goals – working with Community College
 - L. Vaughan - Proxy Ken Bergmann No report
- National Board Report (Winter-Jan.2010, Sum-July 2010) S. Simi/ R. Evenson
 - New National Nordic supervisor– Kevin Johnson
 - Fund raising discussions
 - OEC 5th Edition due Spring 2011
- Region Director's Reports – included in meeting folder unless noted
 - Arizona – C. Grube
 - Eastern Sierra – B. Hummer
 - Mother Lode – D. Johnston
 - So Calif – D. Harris
 - Nor Cal – J. Allen (no written rpt), requested support for recruitment, avalanche courses and possible community college participation.
 - Professional – R. Bailey (no written report), working on guidelines re unionizing pros, sits on and works between APP and FWD Boards. Attended APP meeting at Stevens Pass.
- Program Supervisors – see FWD Program Guide, reviewed by S. Simi

Safety

- Avalanche – R. Bailey (interim) oral report.
Request for a report from the ISSW meeting and to put together a 'public training packet'?
- MTR K. Chulski
- SAR J. Kretchmann oral report on rescue covered in Peek and proposal SM-10-3
- OEC K. Tatsukawa oral report - OEC New Books – due out January 2011. See proposal SM-10-1

Transportation

- OET absent L. Vaughan /D. Gilchrist
- Nordic M. Kelly absent

Development

- Instructor Development – D. Hill putting on Instructor Development course today 8/6/10
- Certified – M. Nolan trying to generate interest from volunteers, will to continue to participate in the Winter Education Conference

Recognition & Communication

- Awards – K. Bergmann oral report – reviewed importance of submitting early and completing applications correctly for awards
- Web Site – T. Moore written & oral
- Newsletter – T. Viall may do only 1 or 2 newsletters, problem of getting input from supervisors
- Member Recruitment – J. McGuigan



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Community College Report

- JPA R. Evenson – reviewed new Community College Instructor requirements
So. Bay contract willing to include So. Cal. under their program. Per Don Harris – So. Cal. has a point person to complete instructor certification
Funding may be affected with increased Jr. Col. fees
- PCN N. Stromswold – absent

Division Programs

- Tri-Advisory Nov. 5-7, 2010 – K. Chulsky/M. StClair at a camp site in Yosemite.
- Winter Educational Conference -11-13 March 2011 – S.Simi
 - 2011 Location – Northstar. Concerns about location: People that travel to conference do not have reasonable lodging rates, facilities or food. Also noted that Northstar patrol did not participate in conference.
 - 2012 Location — to be determined by 2011 Winter Board Meeting
- Summer Education Conference – August 5-7, 2011. Location and purpose of meeting to be clarified. Note: Not in By Laws that a Summer Education Conference be held. Full discussion tabled, until review and report by Conference Committee (See Proposal SM-10-2.2)

OLD BUSINESS

- Bylaws Update – B. Gibson
 - 8.6.3 Expenditure reimbursements – reminder of due dates and
5.4-5.4.3.1 Election Procedures - identification of typographical error in dates.
- California Volunteers EMS-A efforts Update – S. Simi – see action items
NOTE: Each National forest requires an independent MOU
Question: is our MOU still current for Forest Service?
- ISSW – FWD NSP is an Exhibitor Oct. 17-22, 2010 at Squaw Creek Resort
FWD has paid and submitted for booth – Division to request that National share costs
Need 2 volunteers to man booth - Mike Laney and 1 other needed
See action items – selling NSP materials at booth.

NEW BUSINESS — (Proposals – see page 1)

- Liability Release and Incident Reporting Form – for use at all NSP training events
(included in packet)
- Next and Future FWD Meetings — S. Simi
 - Direction and purpose of meetings to be reviewed. Currently Board meetings co-inside with conferences to save travel funds
- Scott Hoffman — discussed Professional Patrollers and NSPS
- SIMS NIMS – Cash Murphy— SIMS NIMS formerly ICS (incident command) dropped into NIMS after 911. Training available free through on-line 45 min. course at NIMSONline.com
 - Note: Bill Gibson, recommended to Board, that we (FWD board) need to be compliant with the President's requirement that first responders need to have NIMS. See Action items.

Meeting Adjourned 5:13 pm
Respectfully submitted, J. Waits, Secretary