

MEMBERS PRESENT

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CALL TO ORDER by Sally Moore – 10:20

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

MINUTES from June meeting were reviewed. **Motion by Will, second by Bruce to approve minutes as written.**

CORRESPONDENCE read by Sally

- Letter from Whatcom County & information
- Thank you from family member/Matt Cossand passed on from Bob Boyd
- Email from Shawn
- Email from Roger
- Scout Jamboree was attended by Jim Roach – approximately 4700 people attended, mostly from King County. Pierce County was the only SAR unit there.

TREASURER'S REPORT - Dave Yates

- Current Balance is \$16,130.16 with approximately \$4000 outstanding
- Wholesale price for the compasses is up approximately \$5 so we will need to raise the price accordingly.
- Credit card paperwork with Washington Mutual is ready. All signers will need to go in to sign the signature card. We will loose about \$40.00/year in interest. CD rates will be about the same as what we currently have at Washington Federal.

COMMUNICATIONS – Shawn Lewis

- Web Site status remains the same – Need material! Please e-mail to - slewis002@centurytel.net. We also need information from Smitty on the store list.
- We need bylaws in the form of a disc or CD – Bruce can do a PDF file, then changes can be made as additional PDF files.

- WESAR licenses – No renewal notices have been received for some time. Shawn will review on Monday. Each County maintains their own.
- New Chairman still needed – still looking.

RECERTIFICATION – Shawn Lewis

- 2005 recertifications needed are Thurston, Mason and Pierce
Dates need to be set.
- Whatcom County – Josh Nylander needs criteria for Certification. Shawn will visit with Stacy about testing.

TRAINING –

EACH UNIT IS ASKED TO BRING TRAINING RECRUITMENT MATERIALS AND IDEAS TO THE OCTOBER MEETING TO SHARE!

STANDARDS – TRAINING BOOK – Bruce Ramey

Review of progress so far: (still need material from King & Pierce)

Index shows what we still do not have.

Sections are color coded by County. When finished, will combine into one and it will be fairly complete. Rick LaVilla will allow us to clip and paste from his database to complete the blanks.

General approval expressed by those present. Good job Bruce & Meredith!

UNIT REPORTS –

KING – 15 missions since last meeting – 1 ELT, 3 Wilderness SAR, 2 Urban SAR, 1 Evidence Search, 5 Wilderness Rescues and 1 Wilderness Recovery
Participation is up & people are having more fun. The big Mission was Denny Creek. The subject was missing for 5 days. Several subjects have been lost in that same drainage. Meredith expressed thanks for taking care of our kids on that search & particularly her daughter.

50th Anniversary is October 2. There is still space for displays from other units.

Training for TLs and FLs has started.

KITSAP – Fundraiser – The group parked cars for Kitsap County Fair for 5 days. Should bring in about \$11,000.

Training – summer camp was held in July for 4 days. This gives new members a Head start on training. Cost to trainees was \$20 including fees & food. Cost to the unit was about \$500 – well worth it!!

Searches – 5 in August – Mildred Lakes with Mason & Pierce,
Denny Creek in King County,
turn-around at Retsil during the Denny Creek search,
Shelton in Mason County – subject is still missing
Cadaver search callout for our dogs – no results.
We also turned down two missions during the Fair.

September – Another cadaver search for the dogs & one member with a

metal detector – found dental work and spent bullet.
Equipment – We are experimenting with APRS to automatically transmit team positions to a computer at base. Hopefully by early 2005.
Purchased 6 new King 240 Channel Radios and new mobile radios for Truck and Van.
Working on getting a planning/storage/potty trailer built for the Unit.

MASON – Kitsap will do the recert problem in spring.

PIERCE – Searches – 7 since last meeting.

July 31 – Mason County, walk away, not found – didn't respond

August 1 – 6 yr old boy drowned

August 11 – turn around

August 21 – evidence search – Kapowson – found a meth lab

August 25 – subject found in Lakewood

Steillacom Dock – subject found

- SAR Big Foot – August 17, Sheriff Dept. met with SAR Units. Pierce Co. SAR put on a BBQ at the end.
- Orientations start next Tuesday. 12 two hour programs to review paperwork and pack lists. Fee is \$20.
- Two people challenged their background checks and won.

Fundraiser – SafeCo Field – 20 games for about \$25,000. It is getting hard to get enough people to do the job.

LaMae Car Show

- 50 Mile Trail Run

SKAGIT – 7 callouts

- 1 turn around for Snohomish County
- Standby for a helicopter crash
- Evidence search in Snohomish County
- Turnaround for 8 yr old in Hamilton
- Safety Fair in Clearlake
- Training with Hope Island Fire & Mt Rescue
- Training with Mt. Rescue for the A team
- Response time is down to about 30 minutes from page out to leaving building
- Orientation meetings 9/12 and 9/22
- New Alpha-numeric pagers – 23 are out and many more expected to be issued

SPOKANE – August 7 – Evidence Search at Hangman Valley

September 3 – 49 year old with Dementia at Riverfront Park. 2-3000

people were in the park. Subject was found walking up the street.

Training starts October 2, 2004

THURSTON – Searches – Mason County – man still missing

Turned down two missions.

Display at Thurston County Fair – had Search Van there

Orientation – Monday, September 30 – 30 attended
Fundraising – Served coffee at rest areas 3 times – banked about \$3700.
Training – Team Leader Training will be last weekend of September for
about 26 people.

OLD BUSINESS – King County SAR 50th Anniversary October 2, 2004 is booked full.

NEW BUSINESS – PHONE SOLICITOR PROBLEM – Bruce Ramey

WSARSC (Washington Search and Rescue Support Council-Rusty Soop) has been soliciting for funds for development of a book for 5th grade students & for support of search teams. Problem is 81% goes to Charitable Aid and 19% goes to Mr. Soop. Several members of Kitsap ESAR have been contacted for a donation, but no one authorized this group to do any soliciting. It takes \$ out of county but no benefit is gained. Bruce has talked to John Sprague, Sheriff Dept. & Pres. of WSSARCA, and Phyllis Mann, Director of DEM in Kitsap County.

Help is requested from other counties to put a stop to activities of WSARSC. More information is needed. Bruce would like e-mails or correspondence from anyone who has had a contact or other interest.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE – Roger Ramsdell reporting

Board Positions of Sally Moore, Shawn Lewis and Bob Boyd need to be elected. Nominations were reported. Roger moved that nominations be closed, Bruce Ramey seconded. New Board Members elected by ballot are Jim Roach, Shawn Lewis and Sally Moore.

Thank You to the Nominating Committee. Sally re-appointed the committee for nominations for next year's vacancies – Patti Pollard and Soren Engle

MEETING ADJOURNED

NEXT MEETING – OCTOBER 30

Each County is requested to bring TREATS to share (not tricks)

Minutes by Patti Pollard