



KCSARA Governing Body Meeting

Bellevue, Washington
Minutes for July 9, 2012

Attendees:

Dennis Brislaw	Garth Brown	Ameeta Chainani	Martin Chisholm
Paul Davison	Christina Erickson	Theresa Hilbrandt	John MacDuff
Frank Rossi	Todd Stone	John Traylor	Glenn Wallace
Joe Wardlaw	Janelle Wierenga		

Note: Names in bold print are KCSARA Unit Reps

Call to Order/Introduction of Guests/Approval of Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 7 p.m. by Dennis B and minutes were approved, as amended via email.

Mission Activity & KCSO/WSSARCA Report (Tracie, by email)

- Interviews for the SAR Coordinator position have been pushed out until at least mid-August, due to various vacation schedules. We have three candidates, at the moment.
- The SAR Truck narrow banding has been completed, and the truck is in service.
- SAR Duty Officer training was recently completed. This is an annual training for all SAR Duty Officers, and this year we added five new duty officers. If you see a new KCSO face on a mission, take a minute to say hello. And be nice to the new guys! J
- Tracie will be working on a couple of specific projects within Special Ops, and therefore not focusing on SAR for the next several weeks. There is no one in the SAR office next week (Pete and Rich are on vacation and the sergeant is out of town at a training). Please be patient with emails going to the SAR.COORDINATOR@kingcounty.gov inbox... response will be slow.
- Joe moved "to hold an after action review of Green Mountain mission on July 17th at 1900 - motion carried.
Action: Garth will find a venue somewhere closer than Renton." John T will be host.
- Joe gave an update of the last SARVAC meeting.

Treasurer's Report (Garth)

- Will be provided electronically post-meeting.
- We have finances in order to the point where we feel we can find a treasurer.

Executive Committee Reports:

Benchmarks (Dennis):

- Attention is focused on the expression of benchmarks at the upcoming training.
- Garth noted that a number of people came to the KCSARA board with feedback about benchmarks. They have identified 2 groups. SMR and ESAR are exploring equivalency. This differs from other units needs. The goal is to divide these groups to better serve both groups.
- Discussion on what units are trying to achieve and how KCSARA can help them with regard to training.

ICS (Jon): None.

Mapping (Garth): Had first meeting, selected chair (Matt Kurjanowicz), and working on redefining charter and other deliverables.

Standing Committee Reports

Operations/UL Meeting: None.

Training (John T): All units represented on this committee; refining training; met with Mapping Committee and ask that they rename themselves to Navigation Committee; working on timeline for all courses; covered for Fall; goal to go through academy for only new people and have others go into quarterly refresher cycles.

Communications/Repeater: Had another meeting. Nothing to report.

Database (Dennis): Looking to address technology issues; Comms and Tech committees together or separate?

Action: Units to send point of contact names to Ameeta for Dennis to schedule meeting.

Publicity/PIO (Garth):

- Glenn Wallace has been appointed new KCSARA PIO and will be building his team, to include team assembled by Garth.
- Brochure ahs been approved for use and can be updated in future.

Action: Dennis to send digital copy to all within the week.

Ways & Means: None

Equipment (Garth): Jeff will organize work party to knock off rust and cover container.

Qualifications (Jon): None.

ELT (Brian): None.

RAD (John T): None

Member Unit Reports

4x4 (Garth): Participation in various summer events; ground support for Air Ops has been noticed by other counties and Sno County asked about cross training with them.

ESAR (Martin): Have been approved for King County and Microsoft giving programs

PNWT (Mary): JHPTS training end July - all invited. \$365 covers accommodation, food, etc.

Action: Unit to send details to pio@kcsara.org for adding to public calendar.

John T added that, if requested, Doug will link unit Google calendars to KCSARA site.

IST (Theresa): 2 new members accepted; several completed ICS 300 & ICS 400.

NWHSAR (Joe): Usual mission response.

SMR (Todd): Sgt. Johnson did not show up for last meeting, as scheduled – no explanation received; 4 members on Granite Mission – 2 carried out subject all the way.

KCSD (Janelle): Brought on new members 6 months ago and some got a lot of action this past weekend; have whole litter of puppies.

SPART (Frank): Several going to International Sno workshop.

Old Business: None.

Picnic: Possible dates August 25, September 8th and 15th.

Action: Ameeta to contact Rich Barton and Paul for possible venues.

New Business:

New PIO: Glenn Wallace was introduced, and he said he'd like to work with individual units to send out their message.

Miscellaneous expenses: Martin made a motion to allocate \$1K for Treasurer's discretionary fund (to pay for miscellaneous minor expenses), seconded by John T and passed.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting will be held on August 13 , 2012 at Master Builders Association in Bellevue.