

New Mexico Search and Rescue Council Board Meeting Minutes 8/30/21

Attendance: David Price, Larry Zentner, Tyler Mobraten, Erik Nelson, Ron Nelson, Rebecca Penn, Rick Weidenman, Ruth Neal, Jon Hitchcock

Called to order at 1900

Agenda Approved.

6/21 minutes will wait until the next meeting for approval.

Ruth - Escape 2022, made contact with the new training leader at Philmont, who guaranteed the same prices as 2 years ago, sent multiple emails, awaiting contract.

Concern about feasibility of holding Escape in person with COVID. Possibility of holding a zoom-based training instead. Could record and make videos available.

Concern about having a band and crowd together. We have 5 months until a final decision needs to be reached in February 2022. Will postpone the decision for now.

Will need to schedule a guest speaker. Have contacted RO for state funding. It is the middle of the state's fiscal year, so Bob is currently not able to give a commitment.

Will use the last Philmont contract to estimate a cost for 2022.

Larry and Rebecca will put together a survey in Dec/Jan to estimate planned attendance at Escape.

Rick - College planning for in person Spring classes, but keeping a backup plan if not able.

Base Medical has online courses produced by a Local MD (who is now based out of Colorado) - Will investigate a discounted rate for SAR members.

In addition, Spenser Moreland and Marc Levesque have put together Zoom-based courses such as LPB and the Task Force Leader which are examples of how we could potentially run courses.

Treasury report by Jon at 1917

June 21st thru August 30

Donations of \$750

No Foster donations have been disbursed as of yet

Mapping \$106 income

No membership update, Tyler has turned down the job offer out of state.

Rebecca is interested in organizing a multi-team training in the Southern part of the state, possibly using zoom. Training will cover what different types of resource types needs are during operations (eg. familiarization/orientation to other team specialties and their unique needs)

Communications - Ron & Erik

SAR Van - interest in obtaining as a resource

Email concerning the benefits of DMR forthcoming

Books have been distributed by Erik.

Tyler states that the State of New Mexico (owner of the communication site on M Mountain) has sent a notice that certain amateur radio equipment may be removed over unpaid bills. Unsure which equipment the state was specifically referring to, as they haven't replied to the latest email. Tyler will forward to Goodie Harris at Upper Rio FM Society.

David has had a few new requests for SAR emails.

Jon - Paypal will take an additional \$00.09 per transaction. Foster mission upcoming disbursements: 8 teams identified by Bob Rodgers will each receive \$146.86.

Next meeting will be held on 11/15/21

Adjourned at 1946