This meeting of the Board of Directors of the Appalachian Search & Rescue Conference, Inc. was called to order at 1015am in Squires Hall at Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Va. on 6 December 1986 by Chairman Albert M. Baker.

Present at this meeting were:

Directors: Albert Baker - Blue Ridge Mtn. Rescue Group
          Brian Wheeler
          Greg Shea - Shenandoah Mtn. Rescue Group
          Gary Mechtel
          Vince Serio - South West Va. Mtn. Rescue Group
          Todd L'Herrou - Richmond Search and Rescue
          (Non-voting as probationary group)

Other Members:

          David Merrit - SWVMRG
          Kristi Fitzwater - SWVMRG
          Tim Ross - SWVMRG
          Jim Rooney - Ops Officer ASRC, ASRC At-Large Member
          Robert Koester - BRMRG
          Frank Chinn - RSAR

CALL TO ORDER

READING AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Brian Wheeler makes a motion that the minutes from the 4 October General Membership Meeting not be read. The motion passed unanimously. Corrections should be sent to Brian Wheeler.
Future expenses are expected to include:

- ASRC Patches: $100.00
- Radio License: $100.00
- NASAR dues increase: $25.00
- ASRC Brochures: $50.00

Gary reminded everyone that the fiscal year is Jan 1 to Dec 31. Therefore, group financial reports need to be turned in and ASRC dues must be paid in Jan. In addition Gary needs copies of each groups checkbook ledgers. Certified Group dues are $45.00 and Probationary Groups $70.00 (for the first year).

Tim Ross accepted the position as ASRC Chief Financial Officer.

OLD BUSINESS

Vehicle Status: (Albert Baker)
The title for the military ambulance is currently being processed and should arrive soon.

HAMs and Amateur Radio Emergency Services: (Brian Wheeler)
Brian presented a letter submitted by John Birch (SMRG-KA4YMA) describing his development of the "American Emergency Meta-net." The proposal is to "establish a clearing house of emergency communications nets (a meta-net), supporting organizations, and emergency telephone numbers, names, and locations." John has not used the ASRC as a sponsoring agency at this time. It seems there are many agencies involved in emergency communications, however, they are not organized in one network. Although John would like to eventually pursue the meta-net on a national and Hemispherical scale, an initial priority is to make contacts with the local resources available to the ASRC. The use of HAMs on ASRC Incidents has been discussed and put to use for several years. Before several recent missions, however, HAM radio operators had not been used for in-field communications. The use of HAMs as field team radio operators occurred on the Rockingham and York County incidents. These missions have started a wave of enthusiasm, mostly in the Shenandoah Valley area, within HAM circles for the more frequent use of HAMs in SAR. To this end, Brian made a recommendation to the ASRC BOD that a letter be written to Earl Bishop, State EC for ARES and RACES suggesting a mutual aid agreement between the ASRC and ARES. The goal would be to have updated County
Emergency Coordinator and resource lists to enable a Callout.
An agreement would also involve operational considerations with
ARES and their use on Va. SAR Council agency SAR incidents.
At this time, the ASRC will only pursue the use of HAMs in the ASRCs
primary coverage area. Brian will write this letter to Earl Bishop.

Va. DES Memo of Understanding: (Albert Baker)
The memo between the VA DES and Volunteer SAR groups operating in
Virginia has been signed by the ASRC and is now in effect.

ASRC Bylaws and Constitution: (Greg Shea)
Proposed changes from the General Membership meeting are still being
worked on by Kevin Parkes (SMRG). When completed, he will mail to the
Board members.

Va. EMS Agency Certification: (Bob Koester)
The ASRC application for certification as a VA EMS agency will be
sent in this week. Dr. Christoph will be the Medical Director
for the ASRC. ASRC members currently running on a rescue squad in the
Thomas Jefferson-EMS-District who are certified in ALS will be able to
provide ALS care on ASRC Incidents up to the Shock Trauma Level.
Currently, this only includes Bill Mackreth (EMT-P) and Ted Dettmar
(EMT-ST). UVA Hospital will purchase a backpack drug box.
As a state EMS agency, the ASRC will have many new administrative
requirements, an EMT must be present on an evacuation, patient
treatment must be recorded, the ASRC must have an Operations Manual,
as long as the ASRC does not have an operating vehicle, there are no
equipment requirements.

Baker made the following motions:

"The ASRC recinds any recognition of any privately owned
vehicles as an ASRC resource."

"All SAR related marking of ASRC members personal vehicles
must be approved by the ASRC Board."

Gary Mechtel seconded both motions which passed unanimously.
Baker also made the following motion:

"No emergency lighting may be used on ASRC members personal
vehicles in conjunction with ASRC activities."

Wheeler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.
Koester distributed draft copies of an ASRC Operations Manual.
Revisions should be sent to Koester within two weeks.

ASRC Medical Committee
Gary Mechtel made the following motion:

"The ASRC will create a Medical Committee and Bob Koester"
will be the Chairman of that committee."

Baker seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Response Concerns
On recent missions there has been a problem with dispatchers and responding members providing accurate ETA's, departure times, and numbers of people responding to the Incident Base. In the future, please make every attempt to get accurate information to the Incident Base or coordinating DO.

Dispatching Concerns
Also on recent missions, there have been dispatching problems between SMRG and BRMRG DOs and members. The problem seems to be in getting information from Incident Base to DO, from DO to DO, and from the Incident Commander to DES and Dispatch. As mentioned, the Operations Committee will be putting together a guide for all DOs in the Conference. Hopefully this will solve any problems. It was noted that many new BRMRG members have been acting as Dispatch Officers and due to a lack of experience, they may have encountered some difficulties. Increased dispatch training and experience should solve this.

Fundraising and Metrocall
Due to a recent misunderstanding between SMRG, RSAR and the Metrocall Corporation, Groups were reminded that any fundraising or proposals for donations in the Conference's name or with implications to the Conference should be first brought to the attention of the Chief Financial Officer.

Missing Equipment: (Albert Baker)
Albert read a list of BRMRG members equipment that has been misplaced on the last few missions.

Administration Costs: (Brian Wheeler)
Brian submitted a voucher covering costs incurred in producing and mailing the ASRC Board Minutes totaling $12.30. Mechtel will reimburse Brian.

Wilson WH2516 Mobile Radio Programming: (Brian Wheeler)
There was a discussion of programming of the Wilson WH2516 radio. The BOD will talk to Bill Day to gather the facts on what makes this radio type accepted according to FCC Regulations. The Board will remind groups that all communications hardware used on the ASRCs VHF radio license must be type accepted.

Operational Forms: (Jim Rooney)
The Board discussed several operational forms and directives
submitted by the Operations Committee. The ASRC Cave Rescue Policy was revised and the "ASRC Alert Incident Commander System" was rejected. Individual groups should, however, keep track of the availability of their Incident Commanders. It was also mentioned that Shenandoah National Park, Dogs East, and DES also have valuable IC's. The ASRC Cave Rescue Policy, the ASRC SIR, PAS, Minimum OPSKIT standards, and Grid Overlays were all voted on. Gary Mechtel made a motion as follows:

"The ASRC Cave Rescue Policy directive, the ASRC SIR form, PAS form, Minimum Opskit Standards, and ASRC Grid Overlay, should all be accepted as ASRC forms and directives as revised by the ASRC Board of Directors."

Brian Wheeler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Professionalism and the ASRC Uniform: (Jim Rooney)     
Jim Rooney brought up the fact that many people in the Conference are wearing uniform shirts other than the official Sears Blue Long sleeve Chambray Workshirt. "Group members need to be reminded what shirt to wear so the Conference can present a more professional image. BRMRG will be constructing velcro armbands to distinguish Incident Staff members. These will replace the unpopular hats previously worn.

Firearms: (Todd L'Herrou)     
Following a discussion of the carrying of firearms by ASRC Members, Gary Mechtel made the following motion:

"ASRC Personnel will not carry firearms on ASRC functions unless required to by statute."

Wheeler seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

ASRC Application     
Since the Conference is now a licensed EMS Agency in Virginia, personnel folders must be maintained on every Conference member and kept on file in Charlottesville. In addition, State EMS requires additional information not currently on any individual Group applications. Therefore, it was recommended that a new application be developed and used by the entire Conference. This application will be drafted by Brian Wheeler and Jim Rooney and presented at the next meeting.

SWVMRG Certifications: (Albert Baker)     
Albert Baker received Basic Written Tests from Vince Serio, KC Sehlhorst, and Marcia Legrand. Baker made a motion as follows:

"KC Sehlhorst and Vince Serio should be Certified members of the ASRC."
The motion passed unanimously. Vince Serio was already a Certified member and was recertified at this time. Serio is also Training Officer for SWVMRG. SWVMRG will be finding another representative to the ASRC Board to fill the position vacated by Jim Rooney.

**ASRC Incident Commanders**

Wheeler and Baker nominated Kevin Coyne and Dave Carter as new ICs from BRMRG. Mechtel nominated Al Rosen as a new IC from SMRG. In addition, it was mentioned that Kevin Parke and Paul Torrence were voted Incident Commanders at a previous meeting. Rosen, Carter, and Coyne were accepted unanimously as new ASRC ICs. The current ASRC IC List is attached to these minutes.

**ESAR Scouts and their Callout**

On a recent mission, Explorer Post 616 was called out by SMRG Dispatch to respond to the incident. The ESAR members were considered "SMRG Members" and were called in as such. The Incident Staff was not aware of their callout however. The ESARs are well trained and a valuable group for the ASRC. However, request for outside resources should be approved by the IC and Responsible Agent. The ESARs involvement on this incident was greatly needed and did not cause any problems. In the future, the ASRC IC, possibly waiting until on-scene, will make the decision to callout Explorer Post 616. SMRG DOs should not call out the Explorers unless explicitly instructed to do so by the Incident Commander.

**Pennsylvania SAR Council**

The development of the PASARCO is going very well and they will be having their next meeting on 10 Jan.

**Goggles and Semi-Tech**

It was recommended that litter bearers in a semitechnical rescue should wear eye protection. In recent training there have been several eye injuries.

**MSF Course**

This Spring, DES will be sponsoring an MSF Course for SAR Providers to be held during the week.

**ASRC Bank Account**

Albert Baker made the following motion:

"The ASRC Board of Directors approves the Bank Account Agreement with Equitable Bank and will open a checking account with them."

Mechtel seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

**ASRC Long Range Plans: (Gary Mechtel)**

The Board discussed a need to formulate long range plans in Fundraising, Training, Operations, Advertising, PSAR, Administration,
and determine the priority tasks in each area.

Maryland SAR Activities: (Gary Mechtel)
The Maryland State Police has said it will be willing to distribute information on the ASRC to its offices. Gary has also contacted another SAR group in the state and suggested they become involved in NASAR.

State GSAR Course
A Level I and II GSAR course will be taught in Roanoke 20-23 February and 20-22 March. These will be an excellent opportunities for the ASRC to assist in instruction and recruit new members.

ASRC Letterhead
The production of new letterhead had been postponed up until this meeting. The Board decided that the ASRC would pay for new artwork to design a new letterhead. The Logo and address would remain at the top but each group's name and address would be added in the left margin. It was suggested that only Certified groups should be included and they should be listed in the order they joined the Conference. Greg will talk to a printing company and make a proposal at the next meeting.

Next ASRC Board Meeting
The next meeting will be the 7 February at the location of the AMRG ASRC Training session.

ACTION ITEMS

Brian Wheeler  - Request updated Virginia Sheriffs and State Police directories from DES.
                 - Draft new ASRC Application with Jim Rooney
                 - Write letter to Earl Bishop (RACES & ARES) concerning mutual aid agreement with HAMS.

Operations Committee
- Draft new ASRC Application with Brian Wheeler
- Edit draft Communications Equip. Log and Communications Log forms from R. Elron (SMRG)
- Develop Alert/Dispatch materials
- Develop updated ASRC PDQ form

Training Committee
- Hold organizational meeting 3 Jan. 1987

Communications Committee
- Renew ASRC VHF License
- Complete Communications section draft for ASRC Membership Manual

Kevin Parkes  - Complete Bylaw and Constitution Revisions and
mail them to ASRC BOD.

Greg Shea

- Talk to printing company about new ASRC letterhead.
- Update on tax-exempt status

ADJOURNMENT
1650 hours

Respectfully Submitted,

Brian A. Wheeler
Secretary, ASRC
Amendments to the ASRC Articles of Incorporation.

9/1/86

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1. **Meet membership requirements.**
2. **Membership:**
   - a) 6 certified members
   - b) 4 associate
   - c) 6 trainees
3. **36 month reviews**
4. **BOD Approved Training Officer.**

### Associate Group

1. **Meet membership requirements.**
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4. **Any certified members are considered ASRC members-at-large.**
5. **BOD approved Training Officer.**

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### Probationary Certified Group

1. **Membership:**
   - a) 2 certified or equivalent
   - b) 4 associate or equivalent
   - c) 4 others.
2. **Tax exemptable**
3. **Submit rooster and callout procedure.**
4. **Agree to ASRC Articles of Incorp., bylaws, operational procedures, etc.**
5. **Be sponsored by Certified Gp.**
6. **Must pass Individual Med. Exam**
7. **Dues:** $70 for 1st yr., $45/yr afterwards.
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Major Items:

1) Growth
2) Fund-Raising
3) Administration
4) Operations
5) Training
6) Interagency Relations
7) Medical
8) PSAR
9) Advertising
10) Capital Equip.
**Growth**

**Short**
1) Associate members
2) ICS's
3) ICS staff
4) RSAR → Cent. Gp
5) AMRO → Cent. Gp

**Long**
1) ↑ # membership types
2) ↑ Skill levels
3) ↑ Prob. Cent. Gps. - NonBk & Ad
4) ↑ Prob. Assoc. Gps. - ??

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**Fundraising**

**Short**
1) Tax exempt
2) Develop Standard Report for IRS
3) " " interface report RSAC→Gp's
4) " " plan for yearly fund raising
5) 2K in '87
6) 4K in '88

**Long**
1) ↑ to 10K in '92
2) Refine plans
Administration

Sheet
1) Set up yearly goals
2) Set up extra committees
   - Advertising
   - PSAR
   - Policy / Growth
   - Communications
3) Create plan for membership purge
4) Plan for BOD redefinition

Long
1) Change BOD
2) Develop grievance mechanisms
3) Give BOD voice to associate GPs
4) Hire Secretarial Help
5) Get Office

example: BOD → Directors (3 yr Term)
   + Delegates (1 yr. Term)

where Directors are not SAR Team members:
1x Financial Expert
1x Government Expert
1x Medical Expert

5) Procure Logo Copyright or CHANGE
6) Centralize BOD meeting Locale
Operations

1) Set up committee goals + procedures
2) Refine Callout procedures
3) require gp. 24-hr. alert #’s
4) ICS staff manual/cheat sheets
5) Determine Dispatch requirements
6) Estimate Equip needs - Non-Com + Non-med.
7) “ “ “ “ - comm
9) Develop documentation for special gear
10) Gather + Assess ASRC SAR Data
11) Estimate Incident as a f(t)
12) Develop ops Manual

Long

1) Develop Base Camp Support Gear
2) Collect extra individual gear
3) Prepare for Disasters
Training

Short
1) Set up goals & procedures
2) U = at Assoc. level
3) U = at IC's
4) U = skills - Vert.
5) U = IC Basics
6) U = Skills - Tracking
7) U = IC staff
8) Develop Training Standards (Manual)
9) U = Skills - Med.
10) " ASECS case Histories for Training
11) U = MFL Instructors
12) U = MED Trainees
13) U = MEO Instructors.

Long:
1) 400 members, Assoc. level
2) 20 IC's
3) 20 Trackers

Interagency Relations

1) Institute w/ Penn. Corp. Co.
2) " w/ Va. Co.
3) " w/ Md.
4) " w/ Harris
5) " w/ MFA
6) " w/ NASA
7) " w/ WVU
8) " w/ Red Cross, Salvation Army, ...
9) " East Coast S&R Days
10) " w/ Halo's (AEC)
Medical

Short

1) Expand/Define Med. Relationships w/in State of Va. & VA GPs
3) Develop ASRC Standards
4) ALS & RSAR

Long

PSAR

Short

1) Create Slide Show for Civic GPs
2) Procure Slides for Hyq-A-Tree
3) PSAR goals - 2 Hyq-A-Tree/gp/yr
4) " " " - 2 Civic shows/gp/yr
5) Develop Package for Self-Taught PSAR
6) Support SAR Co.

Long

1) ALS & VA GPs
2) Carry-out ASRC Med. Interface w/ Penn., Md., ...
3) Increase Civic + Hyq-A-Tree rates
4) Create own TV spots
Advertising

Short
1) Help PSAP efforts
2) " Fundraising efforts
3) " Manned efforts
4) " Policy efforts
5) " Take-over Newsletter

Long
1) Expand Newsletter
2) Develop mail-out to R.
   P.

Capital Equip.

Short
1) Determine Comm. Needs
2) " Initial Procurement
3) " Hardware needs
4) " Vehicle needs
5) " Photocopyer needs

Long
1) Plan ARSC-wide
   replacement program
2) "
PRIORITIZED GOALS:

Growth: Increase field-associate membership.

Fundraising: Complete tax exempt process.

Administration: Determine yearly goals.
Prepare membership purging process.
Plan meetings with each group's leadership corps.
Define conference/group relationships.

Operations: Refine callout & alerting procedures.

Training: Support growth goals.
Prepare for MRA testing.

Interagency: Continue interfacing with Penn DER, Penn SAR Co.
Support Medical Comm. goals.
Limit other involvement (put own house in order)

Medical: Refine EMS relationship—Define legalities.

PSAR: Develop generic PSAR slide show.

Advertising: Develop generic slide show (regional education).

Communications: Finish radio license renewal.

In order of priority by PSRC Bd, 4-20-86:

GROWTH
TNG
COMM
MED
GRS
INTER AG.
ADJ.
PSAR
Administrative (Committee) Functions:

Operations (committee):
- Define ops kit
- Conference-wide SAR equipment inventory
- Define ops manual
- Define call-out procedures
- Maintain group rosters
- SAR equipment definition & procurement
- SAR equipment maintainance & safety

Training (committee):
- SAR Standards definition
- SAR training manual
- Membership SAR testing
- Membership SAR training & exercises
- Maintaining SAR training records
- Monitor membership SAR skills

Communications (committee):
- Maintain radio licenses
- Radio equipment definition & purchase
- Radio equipment maintainance
- Radio equipment inventory
- Monitor rules, regulations, & communication practices
- Help define training standards, training manual, & ops manual; as they apply to communications.

Finance (committee):
- Acquire and maintain tax exempt status
- Raise funds
- Help acquire necessary equipments

Medical (committee):
- Maintain EMS training records
- Define and procure medical equipments
- Maintain medical equipment
- Define medical practices
- Help define training standards, training manual, & ops manual; as they apply to medical concerns.

PSAR:
- Develop PSAR materials
- Maintain Hug-A-Tree materials
- Teach PSAR
Advertising:
- Support PSAR
- Support Finances
- Educate region
- Maintain logos
- Procure stationary

Plans & Policies:
- Define regional goals & policies
- Support regional efforts
- Develop ASRC short & long term goals
- Review past goals
- Support intra-conference development
- Oversee all conference policies:
  - Support medical policies
  - Support training policies
  - Support Ops policies
  - Support communication policies
  - Support PSAR activities
  - Support finance activities

General Administration:
- Oversee committees
- Maintain & improve Conference morale
- Oversee Conference membership.
Figure 1: Organizations
Figure 2: Administration

CERTIFIED MEMBERSHIP

BOD

GROUPS

SECRETARY
TREASURER
CFO
MEDICAL ADVISOR

TRAINING
OPS
COMM
FINANCE
MED
PLANS & POLICIES
PSAR & ADVERTISE
ASRC

Incident Commanders

Last Update: 10 December 1986

Blue Ridge Mountain Rescue Group

Albert Baker
Robert Koester
Chris Metzler
Kevin Coyne
Brian Wheeler
Dave Carter

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Greg Shea
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Richmond Search and Rescue

Mark Pennington
Ralph Wilfong
TO: ASRC certified members and other interested parties.  
FROM: G. Mechtel & G. Shea  
DATE: 9/1/86  
PURPOSE: Internal ASRC changes to streamline ASRC membership categories and allow Associate Groups to join the ASRC.

This handout contains specific amendments to the ASRC’s Articles of Incorporation and a general description of the proposed amendments to the ASRC Bylaws. The specific Bylaw amendments and motions will be presented later, but the contents of the proposed changes are outlined in the second and third figures presented herein. The changes will be brought before the ASRC’s general membership on October Fourth, and action will be taken at that time.

Thanks,

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PROBATIONARY CERTIFIED GROUP

1) Minimum of 18 month probationary period.
2) BOD approval (2/3 vote)
3) Approval of sponsoring gp.
4) Attend 9 conference events in the 18 month period w/ at least 50% of membership.
5) Meet membership requirements.

PROBATIONARY ASSOCIATE GROUP

1) Membership:
   a) 6 associate or equivalent
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5. Group possesses min. equip

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3. Submit roster and callout procedure
4. Agree to ASRC Articles of Incorp., bylaws, operational procedures, etc.
5. Be sponsored by certified group
6. Must pass individual Med. Exam
7. Dues: $50.00 1st Year
   $ 45.00 year afterwards
8. 2 non-voting BOD members
9. No Training Officer
10. General membership approval (2/3 vote)

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**AFFILIATE GROUP**

1. Minimum 18 month probationary period
2. General membership approval (2/3 vote)
3. Approval of sponsoring group
4. Same
5. Same

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**PROBATIONARY**

**AFFILIATE GROUP**

1. Membership:
   a) 6 Base or Field qualified associates
   b) 4 others
2. Tax exempt
3. Submit roster and callout procedure
4. Same
5. Same
6. Same
7. Same
8. 1 non-voting BOD member
9. Same
10. Same
ASRC CAVE RESCUE POLICY

ASRC Policy for Cave Rescue will not be one of initial response, but will be one of notification and alert status. As MCR has a Regional system developed and as the East Region MCR works thru Virginia D.E.S. Later Conference-Commission Rescue will be possible under the following guidelines.

MCR can request ASRC cooperation thru ASRC chain of command or via VA. DES. ASRC personnel pre-trained or ASRC, MCR personnel cross-trained as cave rescuers can participate in underground rescue. Any ASRC personnel not trained in underground rescue will not be permitted underground in any capacity. Non-trained ASRC member can act as above ground personnel. Since East Region MCR utilizes the I.C. Command System, this interface of personnel should present no problem and both commands will intergrade.

Training for ASRC personnel for cave rescue at present may take place via way of two training forms. East Region offers two day weekend orientation classes for basic cave rescue and can be accepted by ASRC as initial training. ASRC will provide training materials to its training Officers for cave rescue training. This material will basically be the same as E.R. M.C.R.C. Instructor will be available for mutual training weekends.

ASRC Command will also reciprocate adn alert E.R. M.C.R.C. of its mission for possible use of E.R. M.C.R.C. Personnel in ASRC Missions.

May be too much detail for motion. Or reciprocal detail with regard to MCR orientation to ASRC operations.

ASRC will respond personnel meeting the qualifications requested by MCR.
ASRC recognizes that it does not provide training underground (caving) personnel, and that underground training or experience is required for any underground ASRC members willing to go underground. A cave rescue must do so as a "Cave" or "MCR" personnel and not as ASRC members.

ASRC will facilitate
TO: All Certified ASRC members
FROM: Albert Baker, ASRC Chairman
Re: Membership meeting

An ASRC membership meeting has been scheduled for Saturday, 4 October, at Peabody Hall at the University of Virginia (sorry AMRG). Please make every effort to attend or to send your written proxy. Proxies may be sent with any member attending the meeting or may be mailed to the secretary at the above address. A tentative agenda may be found below.

I. Call to Order
II. Discussion of past minutes
III. Committee reports
   Operations
   Communications
   Training
   Finance
   Ad hoc--Technical rescue standards
IV. Group reports
V. Old business: Associate groups policy; revised membership classes; DES memo of understanding; Input to the Pa. DER; Emergency medicine workshop
VI. New business: ASRC as an MRA region; Richmond group
   Other business