AMRG Meeting Minutes March 3, 1992

Present: Gormley, Rosenthal, Greenaway, Kuga, Worst, Kuzniewski, Conover, Yee. Quorum established. Meeting called to order at about 1930 by Chairman Rich Worst.

Officers' Reports

Treasurer: Tax-exempt status is nearing completion. Though the IRS initially said we needed to change our Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, it now looks as though we can avoid this. We should hear back from the IRS soon about this.

Special Order of the Day: Officer Elections

The following nominations were made at the February meeting. No additional nominations were made at this meeting. Nominations closed (Moved by Conover, seconded by Yee.) Rosenthal moved and Greenaway seconded motion to accept as unanimous. Passed.

- Chairman - Rich Worst
- Vice Chairman - Owen Gormley
- Treasurer - Betty P. Thomas
- Secretary - Marc Rosenthal
- ASRC Delegate - Keith Conover, M.D.
- ASRC Delegate - John Greenaway

The Chairman appointed the following:

- Training Officer: Jane Kuzniewski
- Operations Officer: Mike Kuga
- Communications Officer: David Vint

New Business

Dues, which are now due for 1992, were discussed. It was noted that the Group voted long ago to increase the dues by $5 and have the Treasurer forward the $5/member dues to the Mountain Rescue Association. (MRA dues for each team are $5 per member.)

Yearly dues are currently: $15 for AMRG + $5 MRA for a total of $20 per member per year. The previous dues for a new member were $25, which represented a years' dues plus $5 to cover the cost of a Member's Manual, first ASRC patch, and nameplate. Moved by Conover, seconded by Yee, and passed unanimously, to increase new-member dues to $30 to more closely match the cost of these items.

Reciprocity with Virginia: the Group will be compiling a listing of all EMS certifications of Group members and applying to Virginia for reciprocal certification.

Wilderness EMT patches were distributed to those who have completed the WEMT course.

Marc Rosenthal will soon be sending out a mailing to all members and prospective members, with schedules for the next three months, an updated Searcher Alert Form with the new ASRC-wide pager codes, a membership application, and dues reminders for those who haven't paid their dues yet.

We held a long discussion about plans for upcoming MRA test; Search and Rescue Training Associates's Incident Command for Search and Rescue and the new Pennsylvania Search and Rescue Council Uniform SAR Forms Proposal were circulated. (Contact Jane Kuzniewski if you want copies.) We then continued with the educational program. We reviewed single rope rescue, hauling systems, and semitechnical evacuations. We reviewed the principles of Incident Command System as applied to search and rescue. The meeting adjourned at approximately 2230.

Respectfully submitted: Keith Conover, M.D., Secretary-Pro Tem.