

NSS-CDS BoD Meeting - Minutes – 18 March 2007

Call to order – GM 8:00 AM

Location: Dive Outpost, Live Oak, FL

BOD Members present: Gene Melton (GM), Forrest Wilson (FW), Kelly Jessop (KJ), Richard Blackburn (RB), Bill Rotella (BR), John Jones (JJ)

Members present: Mike McAuliffe, Bill Oigarden, Lee McDaniel, Tim (the tank monkey) Bevan, Jim Wombel, Martin Robson, Jill Heinheirth

Old business:

- **Secretary**
 - **M)** JJ/BR to approve the minutes of the 13 Jan Meeting. Passed Unanimous.
 - **M)** RB/JJ to approve the actions between meetings. Passed Unanimous.
 - M) KJ/RB Possession of open, alcohol containing beverages by NSS-CDS board members is prohibited in the room where a NSS-CDS Board of Director meeting is in session. - Passes Unanimous
 - M) FW/KJ The NSS-CDS, in cooperation with the Cave Divers Forum, have a NSS-CDS members only internet forum. - Passes, In Favor: GM, FW, RB, KJ, JJ, BR; Opposed: RD
 - M) JJ/FW to add Jeff Bozanic to the BOD Forum. - Passed Unanimous.
 - M) JJ/RB to approve the proposed S&P changes with the CCR Cave program with one correction the number of Dive Sites will match the proposed Open Circuit requirements. - Passed Unanimously.
- **Leadership report**
 - Committee status
 - Projects status
 - Socials reports
 - 21 April @ Orange Grove
 - Emerald Sink Advisory panel report
 - Steps approved, legal wanted a change to the form.
- **Treasurer's report**
 - Financials
 - Year end
 - \$101228.43 in assets
 - ~\$22,000 in cash
 - Status for 1st quarter
 - Nothing to report.
 - Cavern & Cave manuals back in inventory.
- **Training**
 - Training Status
 - Training committee meeting tonight
 - Next plan is updating the workbook
 - Thinking about a cave guide level of training (dive master type level)
 - Training Committee minutes
 - Have not had a meeting since last BOD meeting
- **Vice Chairman's report**
 - 2007 NSS Convention
 - In Marango, IN
 - 2007 NSS-CDS Workshop
 - People from Thailand, France(?), Cuba, Australia, Russia, Bahamas (?), Great Briton (?)
 - 2008 NSS-CDS Workshop
 - NSS Convention for 2008 in FL.
 - Website Committee
 - Too much to discuss, have an issue in New business.
- **Chairman's report**

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- Property tax status
 - Filed NPO status forms to not pay property tax.
- Archive training record status
 - Moving slowly
- Database status
- Inventory status

Recessed 9:06AM

Called to order 9:15AM

New Business:

1. **M)** FW/KJ to approve a budget of up to \$7500 for this year's workshop. Passed Unanimous
2. **M)** FW/JJ to send out membership applications with certification card & go back 1 year to send applications to the previous certifications. (Susan Gero), Passed Unanimous.
3. **M)** KJ/JJ to approve \$500 funding request for project status application from Cedric Verdier. Passed Unanimous.
4. **M)** KJ/JJ to approve \$1500 funding request for project status application from Cambrian Foundation. Passed Unanimous
5. **M)** KJ/JJ to review and revise the Alachua management plan. Guide committee to revise and send to the BOD for approval before forwarding the revised plan to the NSS. To be reviewed and approved on the CDS BOD Forum. Passed unanimous.
6. **M)** KJ/RB to grant permission to the YMCA Camp Indian Springs to reproduce and sell the Indian Springs Cave Map with the understanding that all proceeds will go to benefit Camp Indian Springs. Tabled to be addressed on the BOD forum.
7. **M)** BR/JJ to send invoices via email versus regular mail to save postage with the agreement of the invoiced. (Sandy Fehring) Passed Unanimous
8. **M)** BR/KJ to switch banks from Bank of America to Smith Barney. Passed Unanimous

Recessed 10:16 AM

Called to order 10:30 AM

9. **M)** BR/JJ to discuss switching dates of the NSS-CDS workshop to tie in with the NSS Convention in 2008. Failed Opposed GM, FW, KJ, JJ, RB - In Favor BR
10. **M)** GM/KJ to have a mini workshop the Saturday prior to the NSS Convention. Passed In favor GM, FW, KJ, JJ, RB - Opposed BR
11. **M)** GM/JJ to approve professional translation expense for the Workbook to Spanish. Tabled.
12. **M)** GM/JJ to dispose of old computers and printers as determined by the board. Passed Unanimous.
13. **M)** GM/FW to purchase a combination TV/DVD player not to exceed \$500. Passed Unanimous
14. **M)** RB/FW Sponsor the New Years Eve dive at Peacock. Passed In Favor GM, FW, JJ, BR, RB
Abstained KJ
15. **M)** RB/FW Rename the International Safe Cave Diving award to the Exley Safe Cave Diving Award. Passed Unanimous
16. **M)** JJ/BR to add an international endorsement sticker to the awards with the counts of Abe Davis 2, Nicholson 3, and Exley 5 countries. Passed Unanimous.
17. **M)** GM/JJ Move our web hosting to another ISP with no more than a \$300/yr increase. Passed Unanimous.
18. **M)** FW/JJ to order 50 copies at \$6 a piece of the DVD, A deceptively easy way to die. Passed Unanimous.
19. Next meeting Sunday 2PM of the workshop location TBD.

Meeting adjourned 11:43 PM