KISAR April 20, 2017 General Meeting Minutes

Call to order at 7:10 PM at Bayside Firehall

Board of Directors in attendance: Steve, John, Philip, Nick

Director's Reports:

Nick submitted requests for training to the ASARA board. Some new board members questioned using ASARA funding for public outreach in Kodiak like when KISAR brings AK Avalanche School instructors down to do public avalanche awareness talks in conjunction with KISAR trainings.

General Meeting:

Steve talked about possible trainings like a SAR Tech II certification class. Nick says there may be a SAR Tech II class in Cordova this summer. SAR Tech instructors require approximately 12 students in order to justify having a class, which may be difficult to organize in Kodiak. The classes run approximately \$500 per student. Dicky will poll the KISAR membership to gauge interest in a Kodiak SAR Tech II class. Or we may invite Paul Anderson down to do a custom training that covers some of the topics in a typical SAR Tech II class, but would not result in that specific credential.

Dicky mentioned the website had not been undated in some time and Doug Dorner was identified as a possible webmaster who could be sent information to update the site.

Steve talked about upcoming training: 1 instructor from the AK Avalanche School, Jamie Anderson, would come to Kodiak for the May 13-14 training. The plan is to have the CG fly KISAR 6 members to the KISAR hut for a patient packaging and backcountry medical training exercise. Anitra Winkler of the AK Avy School could be added as an instructor if more than 6 KISAR members committed to the training.

There was discussion about getting a new, lighter sked/litter

Steve talked about progression in avalanche beacon technology over time and good beacon practices.

There was discussion of the Pyramid Parking Lot beacon training from the previous weekend and what lessons were learned.

Deb Ajango of Safety Ed is scheduled come to Kodiak July 1-2. The training would again involve a CG helo lift to the KISAR hut for more medical training, patient packaging, and a coordinated simulate patient extraction with the CG.

Dan David brought up KISAR member recruitment needs. Drew D talked about recruitment and retention strategies like balancing training and morale building. Dan D was named membership chair and KISAR will help man a booth at Crab Fest.

Steve talked about the broken window at the KISAR hut.

The next meeting was not scheduled.

8:40 PM meeting adjourned.

The training after the meeting involved Dicky going over 24-hour ready packs that SAR members should carry.