

KISAR August 15, 2019 General Meeting Minutes

Call to order at 7:00 PM at Bayside Firehall

Minutes prepared by Philip T

Directors present: Steve, Ian, John, Ryan, Philip, Nick

July General Meeting minutes read and approved.

Guest: Frank Dorner, the Kodiak Deputy Fire Chief, was introduced. His main job is doing the training. He came in to discuss Kodiak ambulance service operations and training levels for EMTs and how KISAR can interface with them. He discussed what patient vital signs KISAR should pass along to the EMTs when the handoff happens. He talked about the differences in urban ("general") and backcountry ("technical") rope work standards. He presented a USCG Med-E-Vac checklist he developed from a longer form the USCG needs filled out to authorize a helo flight. Frank then demonstrated the use of a vacuum splint and some tricks for effective applications.

Treasurer's report: Nick discussed the meeting he had including Steve and Philip with Shanna from KANA and Mike from the Southern Region EMS Council. From Philip's email recapping the meeting:

"This morning Nick, Steve, and I met with Shanna from KANA and Mike from the Southern Region EMS Council to discuss funding and training.

Shanna is the grant application contact person through which we would apply for SREMSC "mini" grants. KANA has a grant team that can help KISAR, which is great. Mike said they have about \$60k in money annually to hand out in grants, and some of KISAR's public outreach (e.g., avalanche talks) and training activities (e.g., bringing Paul Anderson or Deb Ajango to Kodiak) would qualify for funding. We could also buy equipment for KISAR.

KANA will be coordinating various medical trainings going forward and KISAR could participate. There is an Emergency Trauma Technician (ETT) refresher training Sept 7-9 coming up. This would only apply to folks who already have ETT training, but in the future they might put on classes to get the initial certification."

Nick mentioned the possibility of applying for more than one grant. KISAR members discussed priorities and settled on the following:

1. Fund the December Avy training which may be led by Blaine Smith who would donate his fee to the AK Avy School.
2. Fund a spring 2021 WFA refresher with Deb Ajango (in addition to the 1-day course she is already scheduled to do in October).
- 3) Purchase two (2) static 11 mm ropes (200-300 m) to rotate out older ropes plus a number of helmets and harnesses to add to the gear cache for the general membership to use.

No other directors' reports.

Lydia C recommended KISAR add 50 mg of Benadryl to the basic KISAR first aid kit list based on a recent experience in the backcountry. She also brought up KISAR's possible involvement in the upcoming Kodiak Health Fair at the Harbor Convention Center. It was the general sense of the membership that KISAR should have a booth at the fair. Lydia would report back with details on the fair.

Meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM.

No training followed the meeting since Frank Dorner had demonstrated the vacuum splint during his talk.