

KISAR November 19, 2020 BoD Minutes

Call to order at 6:34 PM via Jitsi virtual meeting

Minutes prepared by Philip T

Directors present: Szabo, Wielebski, Tschersich, Cottrell, Gibbs, Boyle

Treasurer's report: Nick polled the membership to identify those with EMT, ETT, and First Responder certifications for the purpose of listing them on Southern Regional EMS Council mini grants. Nick relayed the new COVID guidelines and mandates announced by the Office of Emergency Preparedness.

Board succession to fill Lydia's seat was discussed and 2 possible candidates were identified. Steve made a motion to name Doug Dorner to the position and Nick seconded. Doug's qualifications were discussed, and Doug was appointed to the position by unanimous consent.

Nick reported that the IRS was not able to verify KISAR's Employer Identification Number (EIN) and so was not able to proceed with the non-profit status application process. Nick will follow up.

Reprogramming the KISAR radio frequencies was discussed. Philip will send out a list of frequencies and a suggested order for arranging them on the radios for the board to approve. Steve thought KISAR members should carry backup marine VHF radios on callouts. Philip suggested doing regular radio checks to determine if they were in good operational condition.

Because the AK Avalanche School cannot travel to Kodiak to teach the class KISAR had already paid them for, they will refund the tuition. The Southern Regional EMS Council grant money could be used for the equipment purchase (harnesses, helmets, ropes) KISAR had prepared in the last funding cycle. Another possible grant request could be to replace KISAR radio batteries. Nick will speak with the grant coordinator on Nov 23 to ask if the change in grant use would be approved.

Calendar advertisers were discussed and finalized.

COVID-compliant training scenarios were discussed and mostly centered around avalanche safety and rescue.

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 PM.