

VASARCO Quarterly Meeting Minutes
October 28, 2006
10501 Trade Court, Midlothian, VA

President Bob Koester opened the meeting at 1037.
Previous minutes accepted.

Attendance

Meeting attendance is attached.

Member Reports

A summary of group reports is included with the meeting attendance report above. Member reports summarized as 447 members and \$368,232 in value services. See detailed member reports.

President Report

- IC Meeting – delegation of authority form (under development).
- HR1358 – meeting with various agencies. Professional Firefighters plan active opposition to current wording (they have not seen the actual current wording).
- Discussed details of trip to Iceland.

Treasurer

1715.95 Balance. Dues are due and remain at \$10.

Committees

Detailed committee status and actions is attached.

- 20061028-01. That the vetting process can be skipped to correct typographical errors in draft standards, provided that any grammatical copy edit first be posted on the website with 3-days notice to membership prior to a meeting. Moved/seconded. Carried.
- 20061028-02. FTL and FTM committee would like to add “and/or” and accept all changes currently posted on the website. Moved/seconded. Carried.
- 20061028-03. Search and Rescue Dogs of Maryland (SARDOM) be recommended for an MOU to provide air scent dogs. Moved/seconded. 4 operational dogs. Carried.
- Piedmont Search and Rescue. Field testing for an MOU in progress.

VDEM Report

- Reciprocity with States. Re orgs that work across state lines. FEMA Region III. Recognition of credentials.
- NASAR Conference. Charlotte NC, May 31 – Jun3.
- SMS Dispatching. No SMS dispatching available for some groups who have not submitted their SMS addresses yet. 10 minutes is the response goal for alert officer. Need to have ETAs. Expected to start testing Nov 10.

UMS Grid. Will be used to provide general search location, along with nearest town.

Old Business

Committee chairs requested to visit and correct committee web pages to provide charter, members, status and draft documents.

New Business

MOUs are specific for what services your group should provide.

Elections held in July.

Felony free for standards. Should exist across all standards. Admin committee to draft language and location, consulting as necessary with all agencies. Motion passed.

Crime Scene Preservation Class Questions.

What are the criteria involved in the crime scene preservation class required in the proposed cadaver standards and trailing standards currently in committee?

What are the hours or CEUs required for this class?

What are the criteria or standards of training for the class?

What are the knowledge and/or certification requirements for the facilitator of this class?

Referred to committee

Next Meeting

Jan 20, 1030 at Trade Court location. TBC with VDEM.

Meeting adjourned at 1350.

Meeting reconvened at 1350.

20061028-04. That SARDOM be accepted as a full member of the council. Move/Seconded. Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 1352.

Respectfully submitted

Alex B. McLellan

VASARCO Secretary