

KISAR March 16, 2017 General Meeting Minutes

Call to order at 7:10 PM at Bayside Firehall

Board of Directors in attendance: Steve, John, Philip, Eric O

Director's Reports:

John listened in on the ASARA teleconference and gave a synopsis. He said Dicky had taken an inventory of the KISAR cache.

Eric Olsen talked about personnel changes at the Dept of Public Safety and statewide SAR coordinator post.

General Meeting:

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.

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.

John described the new curriculum for Avy Level 2 instruction- splitting it into 'recreational' and 'professional' topics more appropriate for the users.

Deb Ajango of Safety Ed may 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.

Getting Paul Anderson back down to Kodiak was discussed for general SAR training, including a possibly abridged SAR Tech 2 style course.

In-house training was discussed for safe alpine travel and the use of crampons and ice axes.

The next meeting was not scheduled.

7:54 PM meeting adjourned.

The training after the meeting involved discussion of radios led by Eric Olsen.