

# **Eastern Pennsylvania Region**

## **Stated Meeting Minutes**

November 9, 2008



### Call to Order

- a. Gerit Lewisch, Regional Director, called to order the regular meeting of the Eastern Pennsylvania Region at 9:40 a.m. on November 9, 2008 at Bear Creek Mountain Resort.

### II. Approval of Minutes

- a. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from the April 18, 2007 meeting as published. The motion carried.

### III. 2007-2008 EPA Awards Presentation

- a. Gerit Lewisch and Steve Buzzard, Asst Awards Coordinator, presented the following awards:
  - i. 50+ years service—Joe Winkler, Bob Barrett, John Stinsmen
  - ii. Yellow Merit Star—Jeffory Beckers, Wolfgang Boernert, Jim Daily
  - iii. National Certificate of Appreciation—Blue Mountain, Spring Mountain
  - iv. National Appointment—Wolfgang Boernert

### IV. Section Reports

- a. Northern Section—Roeb Gravel, Awards Advisor
- b. Pocono Section—Sue Ballek, Section Chief
- c. Central Section—John Stinsmen, Section Chief
- d. Southwest Section—Robert Bernatos, Section Chief

### V. New Committee

- a. A motion was made that Bob Bernatos head up a recruitment committee. Motion was seconded and carried. This committee will investigate making a recruiting video.

### VI. National Board Elections

- a. Candidates from the EPA Region, Doug Howlett, John Stinsmen, and Joe Sullivan, were given the floor to present their experience and platform for running for a NSP Board position.

### VII. National Legal Advisor Report

- a. Bob Scarlett handed out copies, reviewed highlights while outlining national issues.

### VIII. Division By-Laws

- a. Motion made and seconded to proceed with the petition to Eastern Division to add one more EPA Regional delegate to vote at the Divisional level. Motion carried.

### IX. Regional Dues

- a. Motion made and seconded to relinquish Regional dues for patrollers with 50+ years of service to the patrol. Motion carried.

Meeting was suspended at 12:05 p.m. for the lunch break. Meeting was reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

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### X. Division and Regional Issues

- a. Ski Patrol Certification—an organization chart was presented, eliminating auxiliary and youth designations.
- b. Lifetime membership designation has been approved at the National level
- c. Patriot Star Award—a discussion about this award created by Eastern Division available to any NSP card-carrying member or medical associate who has served in the military in a combat zone.
- d. Financial—Jack Bogdon reiterated that IRS 990 forms must be filed with the IRS by June 1. Mileage rate is \$0.25 per mile.
- e. OEC--Dennis Zercher reported the OEC make-up refresher will be held at Camelback on December 21. Participants must be signed off by their patrol director.
- f. Regional Web site--officers should keep the OEC, S&T, and other patrol events current on the Regional Calendar.

### XI. Announcements:

- a. Instructor Development courses will be held on Saturday, the first weekend in May, and Sunday, the first weekend in December. Places to be determined.

### XII. Adjournment:

- a. Upon motion, the Regional Director adjourned the meeting at 3:02 p.m. Motion seconded and carried.

Minutes submitted by: Joanne Policelli, Secretary

Minutes approved by: