

NCRC BORC Meeting

Location: Virtual Meeting

Date: **April 4, 2022**

Meeting Minutes

Call to order

By Gretchen Baker at 5:30 pm (PDT).

Recording Secretary: Bonny Armstrong

In Attendance

BORC: NC – Gretchen Baker, TC – Mel Eady-Pumplin, SC – DJ Walker, RM – Rene Ohms, WR – David Angel, Central – Jess Deli, SW – Sarah Truebe, NE – Greg Moore, PNW – John Panches, E – Tony Smith, SE – Brandon Powers, C- Bull Mirando, Medical – Dr. Brian Ekey.

NCRC Volunteer Position Holders: Marty Reames, Bonny Armstrong, Rich Pumplin, Casey England.

Guests: Christy Starr, Dr. Stephen Mosberg

19 total

Proposed Changes to Meeting Agenda – None.

Approval of 2022 February meeting minutes – Approved without changes.

Reports of Officers

1. National Coordinator – Report is in [Google Drive](#) Doc 3. There will be an all-instructor virtual training via Zoom on May 26 at 7:30 eastern. Watch for details.
2. Training Coordinator – The Education Committee is continuing to review lesson plans that are more than 5 years old. Medical curriculum has been the recent focus. The next Ed Comm meeting is Monday, April 11, 2022, 6:00pm to 7:00pm (GMT). For upcoming trainings: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1HMLAVFWV2W6xhyS_6COHLIREOLxt3c5p/edit
3. Financial Officer – It is a slow process setting up the regional accounts, please be patient. Regions need to submit quarterly reports, even if no money has been received or spent. The class form will now have a second tab for financial information to be entered.
4. Other – Marty reports that the BOG voted and approved removing the \$30 certification fee. The BOG is also restructuring the Safety and Techniques Committee to include liaisons from various NSS groups such as the NCRC and Vertical Section. Marty is working with the NSS Education Committee to create a copyright form. Contact Marty if you would like to help. Scholarship applications are due April 10 for the National Weeklong training.

Reports of Committees

1. Education Committee – Dr. Ekey and the Medical Interest Group have been using a medical matrix to create new medical lesson plans across all levels. These will be presented at the next Ed Comm meeting and should be ready for Nationals. (If you are able, you can see these new lessons presented there.)
2. 2022 Seminar Update- Virginia – Tony gave a short presentation on the seminar site with several photos. Level 1 will be led by DJ with Jess and Carrey serving as co-lieutenants to

accommodate a class of 51 students. Level 2 is almost full, Tim to lead. Level 3 is full with 15 students, Nate Skelton to lead. Very few IQ students have registered, Bonny to lead. Dav has started a Facebook group for the seminar that is for both instructors and students.

3. The 2023 seminar will be coordinated by Rebecca. Plans for Oregon 2024 may not work.
4. SOG Committee – Working on SOG 303 to rename the document to include SPAR and Custom Classes. Other changes including where to send paperwork. **PNW motions to accept SOG 303 edits, SW seconds. Motion passed.**

Old Business

1. Certification – A link was emailed earlier to show that L1 and L2 are complete. L3 certification documents are open for comments. John suggested adding knot-passing to L3 to reflect the L3 entrance exam. Dav suggested reducing white space to make the booklets more concise and compact. <https://drive.google.com/drive/u/1/folders/1nLJhfsSdCB-yppvwlzjfm-Ms5XS5UgaJ>
2. Image replacement in Cave Rescue Manual –Marty reports that Anmar is halfway done with updating the manual and is updating the content to reflect the current curriculum. The new version should be ready by Nationals.
3. YouTube survey results – Gretchen shared the results of a recent survey to see what students and instructors are the most interested in learning (see below)
4. Demonstration of NCRC Database – Greg gave a demonstration of the features in the database. Visit <https://ncrc.greenms.com/Account/Register.aspx> to familiarize yourself.

New Business

1. Updated Liability waivers (added new logo and emergency contact info), located in 2022 Curriculum folder.
2. SOG#407 - Conflict of Interest; all BORC and Ed Comm members need to read, sign, and date. These will be available at Nationals.
3. There will not be a meeting in June but watch for electronic correspondence.
4. Caver Preparedness Survey: <https://tinyurl.com/CaverSurvey>

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm (PDT).

YouTube Survey Results

Preferences for Instructor YouTube content

Topic	# Request
Pt packaging	7
Instructor update	5
Example lectures "gold standards"	3
Munter	3
Rigging math/technical rigging	3
all descenders locked off	2
how to put on seminar	2
SRT techniques	1
Overall matrix (with updates)	1
personal development	1
test review	1
TTRS	1
Special topics (e.g., teaching tips for a diverse audience)	1
skills check-offs/evals	1
in-depth on knots	1
Certification process	1

Preferences for Student YouTube content

Topic	# Request
Patient packaging (Ferno/Sked) for vertical	8
Haul systems	7
Munter Hitch	3
Comms	2
What to carry in your pack for a rescue	1
Chaining webbing	1
Coiling rope	1
Intro to NCRC courses	1
Overview of NCRC	1
High/low bridles	1
Counterweight systems	1
Search	1
Setting up personal frog system (also doc)	1
ICS (as it pertains to me responding to a rescue)	1
Skills Check-offs	1
Day 1 Gear check off for equipment	1
In-cave anchors	1

Pickoffs	1
TTRS vs SMUB	1
Cave environment awareness	1
Basic rescue rigging	1