

**CSRB Membership Meeting**  
**07 March 2015**  
**Pueblo ESB, Pueblo, CO**

Howard Paul	Alpine Rescue Team
Barry Mitchell	DCSAR/State Coordinator
Jim Pomeroy	Mineral County SAR
Fred Hosselkus	Mineral County Sheriff
Steve Douglas	Pueblo
John Gilmore	FFL
JC Taylor	FFL
Mike Conder	ARES Region 5, Dist. 2
Pat Caulfield	Fremont SAR
Chris Sorensen	CO – DHSEM
Shawn Mobley	Otero Sheriff

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Director Attendance:

*Note: An "X" indicates attendance. A "P" indicates attendance via phone*

Paul Woodward President	X	George Janson VP	X	Dan Remsburg Secretary	X
Mark Rowland Treasurer		Greg Foley Director		Tim Schlough Director	P
Jeff Sparhawk Director		Tim Holden Director		Frank Tadeo Director	X

Also on phone via Conference Call:

Howard Paul	Alpine Rescue Team
Bruce Fosdick	Douglas County SAR
Mark Hart	Mesa County SAR
Brett S.	Grand County SAR
Tony Simmons	Larimer County Sheriff's Office
Dave Hibble	Montrose County Sheriff's Posse
Dave Haskins	Rampart SAR

Meeting started at 12:34

**1. Introductions:**

- a. Sign in Sheet for those in attendance. Secretary checking attendees in on the phone.
- b. Barry Mitchell passing around the resource list to have team reps check for updates. Best place to make the updates is on the back.

**2. Minutes:**

- a. Consensus approved draft minutes from both Special and Annual meetings held on 11/15/2014.

**3. Administrative:**

- a. A lot of new Sheriffs in 2015 but only about half have paid the CSRB dues this year. Could possibly be a timing issue between when the dues notices went out and when the new Sheriffs took office. Working on getting a reminder out to them.
- b. Since moving funds over to Morgan Stanley in June of 2014, we have seen an increase of about \$5000 in the value of the account.
- c. The November minutes on the website are the draft ones, not the final ones. The corrected minutes have been sent to the webmaster to replace the minutes posted.

**4. Membership Matters:**

- a. Two teams are seeking to be admitted to CSRB as SAR Teams. Discussed each and voted on separately.
  - i. CO Forensic Canines – Vote of 9 in favor and 2 opposed. Approved.
    1. In favor – Douglas, RMT, Mesa County, Montrose County Sheriff Posse, Rampart SAR, Larimer, Alpine, Fremont, Summit
    2. Opposed – Park County, SARDOC
  - ii. Mineral County SAR – Unanimous vote of 11 in favor and 0 opposed. Approved.

**5. Communications: **Waiting on input from Barry for this.****

- a. The CSRB FCC license was changed due to the change in the new permanent mailing address for the organization. Barry Mitchell discussed the DTR system. The FRCC system is new but raises interoperability issues. ISSI is an option but is costly.

**6. DOLA:**

- a. Howard Paul reported on this. Howard attended the last meeting in January via conference call. The advisory council discussed the application process and how applications are scored. Mission call volume is one of the factors used to determine eligibility for funds. The advisory council also discussed the issue of where they had recommended zero funding to a county in the 2014 Year-end Grant process but then the Executive Director decided to partially fund it.
  - b. Paul Woodward talked with Glory Ortega this past week regarding the 2015 SARCON funding that was awarded to 14 counties in the 2014 Year-End Grants. Receipts from the 2014 grants need to be submitted with your 2015 Year-End Grant applications due on April 1, 2015. If you submit your SARCON registration receipts by 4/1/2015, you can then submit other receipts for expenses (lodging, meals, travel, etc.) from the conference to DOLA in June.
7. **Flight For Life:**
- a. Two FFL reps were on hand to discuss the new changes going on with FFL. They have 5 bases in CO. They are also working with the Fire Watch program to help spot a fire that was reported. They will pick up a fire member and take to the scene. No Lift Ticket is needed.
  - b. Lift Ticket Program – they will work with local SAR teams to do annual training for their members and they will help transport SAR members, as they can at no charge. Fuel charges have been dropped. They will work on a case-by-case basis for extended missions. If reimbursement funding streams are available, they may request some reimbursement.
  - c. How does all this affect the coordinators and teams when requesting air assets? Does FFL constitute a local asset that must be exhausted before federal air assets are released? FFL does not have any sort of lift capability and altitude may also be a limiting factor. Can do Search and Assist.
  - d. Contact is DJ Head 720-321-3911
8. **State Coordinators:**
- a. 140 calls with 69 missions for 2014. 19 calls with 6 incidents so far for 2015. Reports have been turned in for only 3, so far. The callout list has been revised. A lot of changes on the list.
  - b. MOA between The State of Colorado and The SAR Coordinator for the Inland Region was signed and finalized in February of 2015.
  - c. Two additional updated MOU's are still not finalized and are awaiting some additional new language.
  - d. AFRCC Basic Inland SAR course still has the old 2007 agreement in the curriculum. A lot of changes have happened since then. They need to get the 2011 agreement as part of the curriculum.
  - e. Mobilization working group – a lot of reorganization is going on. Looking at a lot of the software tools that are available at the next meeting.
9. **Organizational Reports:**
- a. Trackers – JHPTS class in June in Lusk, WY. Dan Remsburg is attending the Train the Trainer class in Boise in March. UTS class in Fremont County in April.
10. **SARCON 2015:**
- a. The event webpage should now be live. Still a few bugs in the registration system. The URL does not seem to be advertised yet.
  - b. Teams need to get their members to apply for scholarship funding from CSRFB as soon as possible.
  - c. Working on the housing issue of multiple people in one room. Howard Paul is waiting on lodging info before it can be posted.
  - d. Should we, as CSRFB, host a meeting or a hospitality room at the conference?

**11. Other New Business:**

- a. Tuesday is First Responder Day at the State Capitol. Paul Woodward sent a letter to hopefully be read during the ceremony highlighting the 2014 Crested Butte mission.
- b. Steve Douglas talked about the new ESB we met in. It is also an alternate state EOC.

**12. Mission Reports:**

- a. Barry Mitchell – seems that missions are being closed prematurely without finding the subject. Be sure you do not suspend a mission by yourself and always make sure that you ask for help if you are running out of manpower instead of shutting the mission down. CSRB has a management team that can be sent.
- b. Pueblo – Steve Douglas expressed thanks for everyone that helped in the crash of a single engine airplane in the Wet Mountains south of Lake San Isabel with Pueblo County Sheriff's Captain Leide DeFusco, who perished on duty August 31, 2012. The plane was piloted by Captain John Barger (Pueblo County Police – retired), who also perished. (Please see letter below from Steve Douglas)

**Next Meeting:**

- c. No meeting set at this time. We are going to ask Rocky Mountain Rescue Group to see if they are willing to host the next meeting in Boulder on May 16, 2015

Meeting adjourned at 1426.

Submitted,  
Dan Remsburg  
CSRB Secretary

Letter from Steve Douglas:

The March 7, 2015 CSRB membership meeting was held at the Pueblo County Sheriff's Emergency Services Center, in the training room. On one wall of that room is a picture of Pueblo County Sheriff's Captain Leide DeFusco, who perished on duty August 31, 2012 in the crash of a single engine airplane in the Wet Mountains south of Lake San Isabel. The plane was piloted by Captain John Barger (Pueblo County Police – retired), who also perished in the crash. Steve Douglas was the CSRB Coordinator on call that day. (He retired from the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office as Emergency Services Bureau director and Pueblo County SAR Team leader 12/31/08.)

Steve took this opportunity to say Thank You to CSRB and all the teams that helped recover the remains of Captain DeFusco and Captain Barger. He expressed the wish that other SAR teams did not ever have to experience the search for and recovery of members of their own organization, but if they did, he could only hope that they received the same caring response that Pueblo County did on this mission. The teams that assisted the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office on this mission were: Custer County Sheriff, Custer County SAR, Fremont County SAR, Douglas County SAR, Alpine Rescue, El Paso County SAR and Colorado National Guard (helicopter). They helped bring our friends off the mountain, for which we will forever be grateful.