

NSS-CDS Board of Directors

Meeting Minutes

02/13/2010

I. Call to order

Jeff Loflin called to order a regular meeting of the **NSS-CDS Board of Directors** at **5:00pm** on **02/13/2010** in at Cave Adventurers in **Marianna, FL**.

II. Roll call

Bill Dunn conducted a roll call. The following directors were present: Forrest Wilson, Jeff Loflin, Bill Dunn, John Faircloth and Harry Averill. Tom McMillan and Frank Ohidy were absent. Other persons in attendance: Amy Loflin.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Bill Dunn presented a written copy of the minutes from the last meeting and a written copy of the Board actions between meetings report. The minutes and the Actions between meetings report were both approved as presented by unanimous vote.

IV. Officers reports/Old Business

- a) **Committees report:** No report.
- b) **Properties report:** No report.
- c) **Treasurer's Report:** No report.
- d) **Training Report by John Faircloth:** Since the last BOD mtg., CDS Instructors have issued 128 certifications at various levels. The Training Director has issued 0 training waivers during that period. Full report attached.
- e) **Vice Chairman's Report by Forrest Wilson:** The recent Hart Springs Educational Cave Clinic (HECC) organized by Kevin Jones was successful although attendance was down this year. The 2010 Missouri Mini-Workshop will be held again in Poplar Bluff, Mo. on Sept. 18, 19. Forrest Wilson will be representing the CDS at the NSS convention this summer. A brief discussion of the compensation of the Administrative Manager and the status of preparations for the Workshop was held at this time.
- f) **Communications Report by Harry Averill:** No report.
- g) **Chairman's Report by Jeff Loflin:** Nothing new to report since last meeting.

V. New business

- a) Discussion of allowing the Administrative Mgr. to pay section bills on the internet instead of using paper checks. The board reached consensus that this is not possible under the section's current by-laws which require 2 authorized signatures on any check written by the section.
- b) Discussion of CDS participation at the Beneath the Sea Dive show in New Jersey. Susan Guerro of Exploration Design Studio has offered to share her

booth at the show with the Section. Frank Ohidy, Gene Melton and John DeRoo have volunteered to attend and staff the CDS booth.

- c) Motion to authorize up to \$350 to cover expenses of the CDS to participate at the Beneath the Sea Dive show. Motion made by Jeff Loflin, seconded by Harry Averill. – In favor: JF, FW, BD, JL, HA. Against: None. Motion unanimously approved.
- d) Motion: the CDS will maintain no other internet presence other than our own website. Forrest Wilson will take down the NSSCDS forum on the CDF and will instruct John DeRoo to take down the Facebook page. Motion made by Harry Averill, seconded by John Faircloth. In favor: JF, HA, JL, FW, BD. Against: None. Motion unanimously approved.
- e) Discussion of the various awards to be presented at the May workshop and possible recipients for those awards. Possible awards include: Outstanding Service; Outstanding Volunteers; Conservation; Exploration; and Cartography. Directors encouraged to make nominations for the various awards over the next several weeks to be voted on later.

VI. Adjournment

Jeff Loflin adjourned the meeting at **6:30pm**.
Minutes submitted by: Bill Dunn, Secretary