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National Smokejumper Association Executive Committee

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NSA Executive Committee Meeting
Minutes

Date: 02/09/99

Location: NSA/MMF Office at the Missoula County Airport.

Members Present:

Laird Robinson	Lon Dale
Jon McBride	Roger Savage
Phil Davis	Tim Aldrich
Jack Demmons	Bud Clarke

Minutes: Phil Handed out copies of the draft minutes of the executive committee meeting held 01/12/99. Corrections were called for by Jon McBride and Laird Robinson. Those corrections were noted by Phil Davis and included in the final draft. Tim *not Bob* moved that the minutes be approved as ammended. Lon seconded and the motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Jon McBride distributed copies of the treasurer's report for the month of January. This report is self explanatory and a copy accompanies these minutes. Jon devoted some discussion to explaining how multiple year memberships would be handled differently in the future. Formal committee action was not considered necessary for this action.

Membership: Phil reported that the total count was not significantly different than one month ago despite a great many corrections made to the data base. He reported that the total data base now stands at 5193 with 1175 active members and 39 delenquent as of February 11, 1999.

Old business: Laird reported that he wanted to spend more time going through the Gidlund report before discussing it further. He also brought up the previous suggistion that base managers be invited to attend the April directors meeting. Considerable informal discussion resulted in the decision to drop the idea of inviting base managers due to some lack of interest and the added expense to NSA. Laird also stated that there had been some suggestions by directors to move the date of the annual meeting from the previously proposed Friday, 9 April to Saturday 10 April. The executive committee members could see no problem in changing the date so it was decided that unless some unforeseen problems come up, the date of the April Directors meeting will now be scheduled for Sat, 10 April 1999 at the Holiday Inn Parkside in Missoula.

Laird next handed out copies of an E-mail letter from Larry Anderson to Monroe DeJarnette regarding the design of a NSA brochure. Since both are working on the design of a brochure, this letter was informational only and required no formal action. Laird also asked Bud Clarke to follow up on smokejumper manufactured merchandise that might be available for sale through the association.

New Business: Laird handed out copies of a document titled "The Death of Smokejumping" produced by James Veitch. Discussion was delayed on this document until people had had more time to read it. *Over this relate*
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Laird stated that he would contact the Highway Department regarding the Adopt-A-Highway obligation taken on by the NSA. He stated that no work has been done in the last two clean up periods due to heavy construction in the assigned section.

Roger Savage stated that he felt that the news letter needed more pictures and articles from other bases than Missoula. He suggested that Jack be sent to other bases at NSA expense to collect information and pictures. Bud Clarke discussed the advantage of maintaining consistancy in having one person gather information rather than depending on different people. Jon moved that money be made available from the (Presidents Fund) to send Jack Demmons and to procure any necessary equipment. Roger Seconded and the motion carried.

Roger reported that E-mail addresses and years jumped was being added to the Web site. Laird set the date of the next executive committee meeting for 9 Mar 1999.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 08:37 on a motion by Roger and Seconded by Tim.