Meeting Minutes, September 10th, 1996

National Smokejumper Association Executive Committee

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NSA Executive Board Meeting Minutes

Date: 10 September 1996
Time: Immediately following the Board of Directors Special Meeting and Tel-conference.
Place: NSA Office, Minuteman Hanger #14, Missoula International Airport

Executive Board Members Present:  Directors Present:  Members Present
Ed Courtney  George Cross  Phil Davis
Larry Anderson  Lon Dale  Stan Cohen
Lowell Hanson  Jack Demmons

The treasurer's report was presented by Lowell Hanson. Larry Anderson moved, seconded by George Cross that treasurer's report be approved. Copy attached.

Phil Davis reported we currently have 1073 members with 21 members being delinquent with their dues.

Stan Cohen posed the question, What would be the course of action in the event Travel Montana does not approve the grant for the initial stages of the Forest Service Museum? Would NSA consider the option of joining with Museum of Mountain Flying in the reconstruction of the former Smokejumper loft from Hale field to use for office space and museum? The building is currently on the Museum of Mountain Flying property. Discussion followed and action postponed until results from grant application was known.

Stan reported a furnace had been obtained for the current office and will be installed in the near future. He asked that the NSA share the installation costs.

Larry Anderson reported Carl Gidlund called him pertaining to the smokejumper video project. Carl requested that NSA write to all the smokejumper bases in an attempt to secure old films, pictures and materials to assist in the development of the smokejumper video. Discussion followed. Jim Kautz and Dave Pierce with MEDC along with W.W. Williams, Missoula Jumper base, be considered as sources for films. George Cross suggested the NSA assure the materials would be protected and returned after their use.

Jack Demmons reported the newsletter was on schedule. Several positive comments were made about the quality of the newsletter.

Jack Demmons stated the NSA has received a request from Mr. Jason Greelee, Director of the International Association of Wildland Fire, to exchange our membership lists. Discussion followed. The consensus of opinion was: The NSA offer to exchange ads in our respective publications. Ed Courtney to follow-up. Discussion reemphasized our position the membership were not available for other organizations and commercial purposes.

Larry Anderson made a motion that statement be included with the Master roster stating the roster is intended for private and personal use only and not available for resale or commercial uses. Jack Demmons seconded. The motion carried.

The video agreement with Media Entertainment, Inc was discussed. Lon Dale will review their offer. A copy is also to be sent to George Gowen for his review. Ed Courtney to follow-up.

Bill Moody stated during the Teleconference that members Bruce Edger and Jack Mathews were to be recognized for the help in locating former jumpers.

A special note for appreciation was expressed to Roger Savage and Greg Lee for their assistance in the research for the purchase of the new computer.

The Highway clean-up program is scheduled for October. Roger Savage to follow-up.

The next meeting is scheduled for October 8, 1996. Meeting adjourned.

Lowell Hanson Acting Secretary for this meeting.