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National Smokejumper Association Executive Committee

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1. Ed Courtney, President, Presiding. The April, May, & June minutes are not typed, so they can not be approved.
2. Treasurers Report. As of this date, the total savings account balances are \$27,773.11 plus a balance of \$871.87 in the checking account for a total of \$28,644.98. Also of this date, the Reunion yr 2000 accounts have a balance of \$10835.67.
3. Membership Report. As of this date, we have 1,117 members out of the old master address list of 4,793. Since 1/1/96 to 5/1/96, 49 members are delinquent in their dues.
4. Historians Report. 175 reminders were mailed to lapsed members for the period of 1/1/94-2/28/96. 68 have rejoined bringing in \$2,040.00. Of the Redding Master Roster, 128 membership invitations were mailed resulting in 25 new members as of this date and \$1,195.00 additional revenue. The additional postage and time makes the effort more than cost effective. Jack needs help in the membership end.
5. Newsletter. We will try to keep the length to 20 pages including photos. Lowell will ask Michelle to help work on the next letter. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to allow up to a maximum of 10 hours at time and one half overtime to compensate Michelle for this one time effort if she accepts.
6. NSA/NFSM/MMF Joint Venture. It has been proposed that a single piece of property housing the National Smokejumper Association, the National Forest Service Museum, and the Museum of Mountain Flying offices be considered; and to form a joint governing body for the management of the property. A motion was made, seconded, and approved to allow Roger Savage, Lon Dale, and Lowell Hanson to represent us at Lon's office with representatives from the United States Forest Service at 1:15 PM on 7/15/96. The purpose of this meeting is to explore the possibility of a joint venture to benefit all three organizations.
7. Life Membership. Lowell presented a rough draft with various pricing options based on age up to \$1000.00 membership with portions tax deductible based on IRS Guidelines. More study and discussion is needed on this matter.
8. Next Reunion in 2000. Bend, and Redmond, Oregon appear to be too difficult to reach by air. We are waiting on Dick Tracy's report of support for a Redding Reunion. It is possible that either Missoula or Boise may have to be considered for the next reunion.

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9. Poster Copy Rights & Membership List Sales. The owner of Wildfire Magazine is a member of our organization, has given us his membership list, and would like a copy of our list for subscription solicitations. Discussion was that we could not refuse his request. We sell membership lists to our members, and have always given members individual address requests for old friends. We may need a written policy on this subject.

10. Old Business & Other Business.

A. Roger Savage, Greg Lee, & Barry Reed will research Inter Net user fees since we have a modem on the computer and it may reduce telephone costs. The information will be shared at the next meeting with the purpose of selection of a carrier.

B. Lowell obtained some bids from Budget Printing, Heritage, & Insty Prints ranging from \$780.00 to \$1248.00 and is waiting for bids from American Speedy & Quik Print. We hope to make a selection of the newsletter printer soon.

C. Newsletter Advertisements may jeopardize our non-profit bulk mailing rates with the U. S. Postal Service. Lowell Hanson, Roger Savage, and Jack Demmons will research this matter with the USPS. If we can't sell adds, then we have to do a cost study of Revenue vs Regular Postage to choose the least expensive method.

D. Ed Courtney will help Jack Demmons with membership after he gets back from vacation.

E. Video Report. No additional news was available.

Present: Ed Courtney, Lon Dale, Lowell Hanson, Roger Savage, Phil Davis, Larry Anderson, Greg Lee, Barry Reed.

Temporary Scribe, Barry Reed.