



Jacksonville Reef Research Team
July 2007 - Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, 7/18/07, at 6:38pm, by Team Vice President Bill Lindholm.

President's Report:

Sue Wilcox was not present as she was working out of town.

Vice President's/Dive Coordinator's Report:

Bill Lindholm said there were no firm dates for the remaining dives required for the 2006-2007 grant work which will include fish counts and side scan sonar verifications. The sea conditions off-shore have been less than desirable. Using private boats with smaller groups of divers was discussed.

Treasurer's Report:

Bill Lindholm presented a hard copy of the official financial report.

Secretary's Report:

Denise Hughes has had e-mail problems and was not able to submit the June minutes.

Grant Administrators' Report:

Bill Lindholm said that the issues regarding problems with the current grant are being resolved. There is no update on the new grant proposal submission.

Safety Officer Report:

Jim Davis is still collecting copies of all Team members' current certifications. Jim solicited safety updates from the Team.

Phil Harville reviewed the DAN recommended ascent procedure of taking a one minute safety stop at the half way point in addition and prior to the normal three (3) minute stop at fifteen feet.

Example: On a dive where the maximum depth was 90 feet, the diver would stop for one minute at 45 ft. and then three minutes at 15 ft.

Phil also recommended that a diver lost at sea who is equipped with a safety sausage and who hears a search aircraft should lay the sausage horizontally to be more visible to rescuers in the air.

Training Report:

Mike Barnes announced that there were 29 names on interest lists generated from the public. He will be mass e-mailing them to see how many want to start the next training session. The 2007-2008 class will commence the first Wednesday in September (9/5/07). This class will cover orientation and the first training module.

Mike also presented an opportunity for an Underwater Photography certification class (PADI) that will start Thursday, August 2, 2007 and will also be held at the Southeast Branch library.

A previously discussed Emergency First Responder class will be held Saturday, August 4, 2007. The fees for the class are \$35.00 for CPR and \$65.00 for CPR/First Aid, cash or check. The location is TBA.

Public Relations Report:

Phil Harville submitted \$490.00 for the sale of JaxSpots books. There are only a few remaining and Phil recommended that they be sold for \$10.00 each. A motion was made and seconded. Approval by Team members present was unanimously passed.

Webmasters Report: Interim Webmaster Jose Zouain had no updates.

Old Business: No old business was discussed.

New Business: The 2006-2007 training class presented their expedition results.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 15th, at the Southeast Branch Library at 6:30pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

