

**Jacksonville Reef Research Team
Meeting Minutes January 18, 2006**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Sue Wilcox

President's Report: John Perkner was unable to attend the meeting. The meeting began with team members introducing themselves to students and visitors.

Vice President's Report: Jim Davis was unable to attend.

Chief Scientist Report: New grant proposals will be due to the State by Mar. 17, 2006. Several good ideas for this years grant proposal were discussed.

St. Johns County is planning to get involve in reef building projects again. It was suggested that we contact them for grant opportunities to assist them in sight selection, mapping, or monitoring projects. It was also suggested by Cheryl Wapnick that we stay in contact with Jacksonville and State officials for future opportunities in Duval County.

Secretary's Report: Denise Hughes was unable to attend.

Treasurer's Report: Bill Lindholm was unable to attend.

Safety Officer / Training Report: The next training meeting will be at the Pablo Branch Library on Feb. 1, 2006 at 6: pm. The class will begin with a Fish ID Test, followed by a brief discussion. If time permits We will cover the current modules . Rob will set a date for training dives to be held in south Florida.

Rob suggested that we plan a date to do First aid and CPR updates for the team. Sue mentioned that her employer had a trainer that teaches First Aid / CPR on location. Further research will be done and a date/place will be announced later.

Public Relations Report: Phil reported that we have approximately 300 Jax Spots books left in inventory.

Webmaster's Report: Rob reported that all is well with the web site.

Dive Coordinator Report:

Old Business

–Grant Update: The 2005 grant has been completed. A copy of the grant was available for review, and can be accessed by email. The grant amount was \$5000.00, the grant expenses were approximately \$6000.00.

–Jaxspots: 300 left in inventory.

New Business: The team has been asked by PBS&J and St. Johns County to assist in re-permitting the High School Reef site. John Perkner and Alex Waters will coordinate to do a site survey as soon as possible.

Rob Bronson has proposed to his advisor at U.N.F. to do a research project using the Jax. RRT. Archives. This will entail sorting, organizing, digitizing and creating a user friendly format to access the data. He plans on working at this task over the upcoming year, to culminate in a report for possible publication. We wish him great success in his project which will end up helping the team with easy access to all of our previous data. Rob also mentioned that Dr. Smith of UNF has stated interest in working with the Team for University research projects. That would be a great opportunity for the team.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 15th 2005, Pablo Branch Library at 6:30 pm. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.