Board Meeting May 5, 2016

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Trainings: Saturday training—cancelled due to medical trainer is unable to make it. 5/12-13: H-80 training

Basic rope skills training—could possibly do it on a Thursday evening while the days are long. Knots and anchor building and making Purcell prussic another possible training. But we have to realize that people aren't going to become proficient at these things strictly from trainings, they have to be self-motivated on their own.

GPS trainings—Joe could be a good person for this training.

Need another medical training: understanding resources, being familiar with the equipment, scenario-based trainings where people are actually getting to use their skills.

5/19: Medical scenario training—Laura and Mike and Elsbeth
5/21: Full scenario training—Tungstens mock call-out (practice the two-tension rope system)
6/16: 5pm Buttermilks prussicking, rappelling
6/18: Search training???
6/8-12: MRA conference in Port Angeles

Future trainings: work on the two tension rope system again. Continued practice.

Train on a multi-pitch lower with Frank up at Lembert Dome.

Ed is talking to the accountant to make sure that everything went ok with our taxes.

Discussion of the Sunday training on the ledges, which went well.

The internet is not working, so Julie is describing the Utah Highway Patrol video where a helicopter is doing a recovery and slices the ropes of the rescue team. Check out the video online. A good reminder to always think about where our ropes are.

As we haven't really had many missions this winter, it's time to remind ourselves how to do everything. Take a few extra minutes to make sure you're not forgetting anything either on a mission or on the clean up from a mission or training.

Technical rescue training on the ledges last Sunday:

A good chance to practice actually being out there--scrambling up the ledges, on the snow, bushwhacking. The group split up into teams to set up their rescue systems, which was really useful. Lots of back and forth at working to improve our systems which was a good learning experience.

The team votes to make Rachel Farrand an official team member! Rachel--you have earned 100 hats! Welcome to the team officially.

The team votes to make Laura Molnar an official member of the team! Laura--we are excited to have the number one wearer of orange to the team!

Welcome Lindsey--a dietician in town who just completed her EMT, an all-around badass mountain woman is excited to join Inyo SAR