

COUNCIL ON AMUSEMENT & RECREATIONAL EQUIPMENT SAFETY

C.A.R.E.S.

Minutes of meeting of January 2003 Orlando Florida

Meeting called to order by President Bob Cate.

First Order of Business:

The President asked to discuss the purpose of CARES.

We had a lot of guest visiting with us. One guest was Attorney Wayne Perice. He wanted some time for a presentation. He is also interested in holding a seat on the CARES Advisory Board. Wayne is from Philadelphia.

Under the ASTM regulations there is a single sentence that holds the manufacturer responsible for getting the word out if they experience a problem with a ride they build. Wayne is a member of ASTM and will be attending a meeting of the ASTM while he is in Orlando this week. Wayne's proposal was to approach the ASTM Committee and ask for a requirement to make it mandatory by ASTM that all bulletins and notices be given to all AHJ's throughout the United States, and Canadian Provinces. Wayne said that he needs the backing of CARES in order to get this done.

Discussion of the above item was held and the following remarks were made by guests and members.

- Joe Filoromo of Pennsylvania stated that Pa. could not make the manufacturers issue the bulletins by law, because Pa. could not prosecute for them.
- Carl Dills, Kentucky, made a statement that if there was a legal way to communicate these items of concern, then Kentucky would probably be interested because Kentucky law does not allow open communication without approval.
- NAARSO President, John Dodson, Ohio, stated that there are already three avenues of communication: AIMS, CARES, NAARSO. We need to utilize the resources available to us as well as the mandate from ASTM.
- Larry Watson, Mo. spoke on the concerns of Mo.
- Don Hankins of Oklahoma said he was in favor of such an action from CARES.
- Herman Shorty, Navaho Nation, who hopes to be a member soon, spoke in favor of the ASTM mandate.

A motion was made by Jonathan Brooks, North Carolina to allow Wayne Perice to present the charge to ASTM. The motion was seconded by Mike Reinhart, Fla.

Further discussion was suggested before the question called.

- Jonathan Carrick made a statement that, as history proves, we should be cautious about trying to make demands from any of the manufacturers.
- Herman Shorty, Navaho Nation stated that our only concern should be safety and if we stay united the industry will have to get on board and comply with the ASTM mandate.
- Peter Lamont spoke of support of the idea and thinks we should get started ASAP.

The question was called for and passed with no descending votes.

Second Order of Business:

CARES President, Bob Cate asked the membership to think about changing the CARES meeting to another time, due to the fact that we need more time. We do not want to take away from the NARRSO Conference. He thanked the NARRSO Officers and Organization for their kindness and attention and allowing CARES to meet in one of their rooms.

Discussion on meeting another time was discussed and the following comments were made:

- Terry Hennessee made comments that it is a benefit to meet with another Org. The consensus is that we continue to meet with NAARSO.

Committee Reports:

- Constitution Committee: No Report
- Nomination Committee: No Report

Nominations were made from the floor:

- Carl Dills nominated Clyde Wagner, North Carolina, for Vice President.
- Motion to close nominations was made by Mike Reinhart, Florida, and seconded by Jonathan Brooks, North Carolina.
- Nomination carried.
- Carl Dills nominated Mike Triplett of New Jersey for Secretary/Treasurer
- Motion to close nominations was made by Mike Reinhart, Florida, and was seconded by Jonathan Brooks, North Carolina.
- Nomination carried.

Committee Chairs:

President Cate asked for volunteers to head committees as Chairman. The following appointments were made by President Cate:

- Constitution Committee Chair, Terry Hennessee, Okalahoma
- Membership Mike Reinhart, Florida
- ASTM Mike Triplett, New Jersey
- NDT Carl Dills, Kentucky
- Publicity Clyde Wagner, North Carolina
- Information Management Jonathan Brooks, North Carolina
- Standardization Don Hankins, Okalahoma

USID Ride Numbering System:

USID number system has just been approved by Mass. They ordered 1001.

Kentucky has requested information on the USID number system.

The USID numbering system is a way to track rides around the USA. The CARES membership agreed that if any state starts to use the USID numbering system, the numbers issued shall come from Florida since they already have the beginning database for the numbers issued.

Advisory Board:

There was a motion to suspend the rules for discussion of the Advisory Board by Clyde Wagner, North Carolina and seconded by Jonathan Brooks, North Carolina.

President Cate requested the members submit names for the Advisory Board and he will report to the members the names of the persons that he has found that will serve.

President wants the names within 30 days.

Websites:

There were three new web sites introduced to help gather more information from the industry.

- No safe parks. Com
- Safety forum.com
- Theme park insider.com

Meeting Adjourned:

Motion to adjourn made by Jonathan Brooks, North Carolina, seconded by Clyde Wagner, North Carolina.

Meeting was adjourned.