

**Council on Amusement Recreational Equipment
Safety
C.A.R.E.S
Minutes from annual meeting
January 22, 2005
Orlando, Florida**

First order of business at this annual meeting was the President Don Hankins of Oklahoma allowed Mr. Rick Raber of Northern Apex Company to do a presentation on new inspection technology. After the presentation Mr. Raber fielded questions from the floor.

After the presentation President Don Hankins called the annual meeting of CARES to order. Mr. Hankins then called role to identify all members that were present at the annual meeting. The role was also called to determine if we did indeed have a quorum to conduct the meeting.

The next order of business from President Hankins was to have the minutes from the last annual meeting read. We were unable to locate the minutes from the meeting held in Charlotte, N.C. in 2004. The group was unable to vote and approve the minutes due to the above stated condition.

President Don Hankins then called for the committee reports. Constitution Committee had no report. Information management Committee had no report. Standardization Committee had no report. National Amusement Code Committee report was given by the Chairman Mark Mooney of Massachusetts. Mr. Mooney presented the members that were present a document entitled International Amusement Inspection Code part A and part B. This is a very comprehensive document and is a step in the direction of an international Amusement Code. There was some discussion on the document. Please see attached for a copy of the document. The Publicity Committee had no report. The Non Destructive Testing Committee had no report. ASTM Liaison Committee had no report.

The next order of business was the Presidents report. This report was given by don Hankins President of the CARES organization. In his report the President stated that the organization was in a stalled position and that there

was no forward progress of the organization. The organization has no funds to operate on and that many of the members of the organization were attended the meeting on their own time and their own funds and that the state of New Jersey had been paying for the website. This should not be happening. The President also discussed that we needed more participation from the members of the organization if we as group are going to move forward from this stalled position.

The next report was the report on old business. At this time there is no old business to be discussed at this meeting.

The next report was on new business. The President had some new business to bring to the members that were present at the meeting. The President proposed that CARES as group go back under the umbrella of NAARSO(National Association of Amusement Ride Safety Officials) NAARSO has agreed to make a committee that the position of Chairman would have to be a Regulatory Agency persons. John Dodson the President of NAARSO was in attendance and gave input on behalf of NAARSO. The floor was opened up for comment on this above mentioned proposal. There were several questions on the merging of the two organizations. The discussions on the proposal ranged from what we wanted from the NAARSO organization to what the CARES constitution said about doing away with are joining forces with another organization. The motion was seconded by Mark Mooney of Massachusetts. There was discussion on the motion. Mr. Brooks made a friendly amendment to his motion to bring the motion made more in line with what the CARES organization is trying to accomplish with the joining of forces with CARES and NAARSO. The friendly amendment made by Mr. Brooks also stated the President to form a sub-committee to research the details of the proposal and that sub committee is to report back to the President. Vice President Jonathan Brooks made a motion to accept the amendment ant the motion was seconded by Mark Mooney of Massachusetts.

There were other issues that the President chose to table or deferred a later date. Those issue were the Federal tax ID status of the organization, Annual dues to be charged to the membership, the operation of the web-site and the service cost for that web-site, the cost of postage for mass ailing to the members, changes to the constitution. These issues were deferred on the grounds of the sub-committee researching the CARES organization and the NAARSO organization joining forces.

Mr. President had another new for the attending members to consider and that was electronic voting. The floor was opened for discussions at this time and the discussion on this item were what is consider a quorum in this process, a member that did not respond would be consider an yes vote. The President that he and the Vice President upon returning home would try and contact the list of members to see exactly how many members that the organization has. It was also decided that 20% is a quorum.

There was a motion made by Mark Mooney to accept the proposal and this motion was seconded by Jonathan Brooks. The motion was voted on and the motion was carried to allow electronic voting.

The other new form of business was brought up by the President of NAARSO John Dodson. The discussion was on a conversation that Mr. Dodson had with the OABA (Outdoor Amusement Business Association) about the way to obtain ride safety bulletins from different manufactures and away to distribute these bulletins. Advisory Board member of CARES Wayne Pierce spoke on his proposal to the ASTM F-24 committee on bulletins.

I was asked to officially let the minutes of the meeting reflect a tremendous Thank You to Kathy Fackler who is an advisory board member of CARES on her work with the web-site. Mrs. Fackler upon returning home will dissolve the old CARES web site and get the new one up and running. The members ask Mrs. Fickler to please remove the media link on the new web-site and she said that would be no problem and would do this when she returned home. This decision was made by the President. The cost of the new web-site will be absorbed by the state of Massachusetts per their representative Mr. Mark Mooney.

The motion was made by Mark Mooney to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Don Hankins. The 2005 annual meeting of the CARES organization was closed at 1:00pm.

These are the minutes from the CARES annual meeting held in Orlando, Florida on January 22, 2005. These minutes were submitted by Jonathan Brooks Vice President of the CARES organization.

List of Attendees to the 2005 CARES Meeting.

President – Don Hankins – State of Oklahoma

Vice President – Jonathan Brooks – State of North Carolina

Mark Mooney – State of Massachusetts

Magdy Guirguis – State of Rhode Island

Joseph Filoromo – Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Izzy Romaes – State of Florida

Wayne Pierce – Advisory Board Member

Kathy Fackler – Advisory Board Member

John Dodson – Guest President of NAARSO

Lenny Cavalier – Guest Executive Director of NAARSO

Terry Hennessey - State of Oklahoma

Rick Raber – Guest Northern Apex Company