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Minutes of the NSS Vertical Section Executive Committee E-Meetings July 2011 to April 2012

The NSS Vertical Section Executice Committee held a series of E-meetings on a variety of issues during the period from July 2011 to April 30, 2012. Executive Board members participated in the meeings via email, telephone and regular mail.

August 22, 2011 to September 1, 2011 - Establishment of Outreach Committee

An e-meeting was called by Chairman Dick Mitchell for the purpose of establishing a special committee to be named the Outreach Committee. Vice Chairman Terry Mitchell was designated to be the meeting chair for conduct of this meeting.

The following motion was made by Dick Mitchell and seconded by Ray Sira:

"I move that the NSS Vertical Section create a special committee named the Outreach Committee. The purpose of the Outreach Committee will be to develop a plan of action that includes but is not limited to the following goals:

Increase awareness across the Vertical Community, both within and outside of NSS, of the existence of the Vertical Section and what the Section can provide;
Increase the membership of the Vertical Section in numbers, and broaden its age distribution to better reflect the current caving population;
Define methods to obtain more involvement and communication of members within the Vertical Section.

The Chairman of the Vertical Section will appoint the chairman of the Outreach Committee. The committee chair will then recruit and appoint additional members of the committee, attempting to comprise its membership with a representative cross-section of the Vertical Section. The committee will formulate a recommended plan of action to be submitted by Feb 1, 2012, to the Executive Committee for approval and implementation."

Following a period of discussion, a vote was held with 8 in favor and 1 not responding. The motion passed and the Outreach Committee was established with Terry Mitchell appointed as Chairman.

NOTE: Due to personal issues, Terry Mitchell later had to resign from the position of committee chairman. In April 2012 Marty Reames was appointed as Outreach Committee Chairman.

NOTE: There were other discussions on various topics between Executive Committee members throughout this period. None of these are recorded in these minutes since no motions were made or voted on and they did not constitute E-meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Bill Boehle (Rev.0) Approved by EC e-meeting 05/20/2012