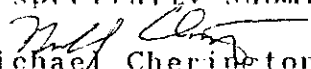


Minutes July 10, 1992 Meeting of Colorado Lightning Task Force

1. Meeting commenced at 11:30 am at St. Anthony Hospital Central in Conference Room A. Adjourned at 1:00 pm.
2. Members present: D Clark, S Clark, Boyson, Cherington, Collier, Estep, Heitkamp, Holle, Langford, Lopez, Vellman.
3. Reviewed three questionnaires received this month:
 - a. Poudre Valley Hospital
 - b. St. Joseph Hospital via Dr. Vellman
 - c. St. Anthony Central seen by Dr. Estep.We have been receiving about 3 to 4 returned questionnaire each month.
4. Reviewed data collected in past month from following sources:
 - a. CHA and DOH collected and prepared by Michael Boyson.
 - b. News clippings for 1988-1991 collected by Ron Holle, Ken Langford, and Raul Lopez.
 - c. National Weather Service -- collected by Todd Heitkamp.Raul Lopez and Ron Holle will analyze and collate these data and present it at the next meeting.
Peter Vellman reported that he is in the process of collecting emergency room data from Denver General Hospital, Lutheran Hospital, St. Anthony Hospital Systems, Swedish Hospital, and University Hospital. These data should provide major impact on the other data we have collected. We should have information that would be important to two disciplines: medical and meteorological.
5. Ken Langford's draft letter to AAWO was discussed. With the minor change in one sentence, it was agreed that the letter was fine. Steve Clark offered to be a contact point, along with Ken, for anyone responding to the letter.
6. Steve Clark and Ken Langford will work on preparing grant applications. Debbi Clark will provide guidance on this project.
7. The members reviewed some proposed titles and topics for the book. Cherington will send these subjects to publishers to see how the book idea is received and what suggestions they may have.
Todd Heitkamp mentioned that NWS is preparing a brochure for Rocky Mountain climbers. He mentioned that safety suggestions should follow the Red Cross guidelines. Any changes in the future should be discussed with the Red Cross.
8. Next meeting: St. Anthony Central, Conference Room A on the first floor at 11:30 am on Friday, August 14, 1992.

Respectfully submitted,


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