

Red Cross Gators

General Body Meeting Agenda **AND MINUTES**

Monday, January 23rd, 2006.
Reitz Union Room 284, 6:30pm



GENERAL INFO. ON MINUTES: this is the original agenda with the minutes added. All minutes info. Will be italicized.

1. Call to Order

Anaid Benitez

2. Introduction

- E-board:

- Officers introduced themselves to the new members and each shared why they are members of the red cross and some of the things we do.
- Introduction of June Masters the Faculty Advisor
- There will be a List with all the A-board contact info. on the listserv.

- Open Positions

~ Under Events Coordinator:

Sarah Quaisi

She discussed about how she needs help to keep on top of her projects for the semester.

-Service Chair

-Social Chair

- Website: *it is mainly for prospective members, all important info will be on the Yahoo! Groups page AKA: "ListServ"*
- GBM's: *collecting cans at every meeting to donate to the St. Francis homeless shelter.*

Anaid Benitez

- ?? Question – *Will ARC be teaching the new standards for CPR? June's answer is that we are phasing into it.... Estimated by December 31st*

3. Group Applications

- Point System: *discussed how to become a member, and the categories of active membership (bronze, silver, and gold). She explained the process of filling out the membership application and paying the dues (10\$) to receive a membership card and T shirt, and briefly discussed the point system found in the Application.*

- Club Dues (\$10, includes T-shirt)

Brandis Ruise

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4. Upcoming Events

- CPR Classes

Anaid Benitez

- ~ Get Re-Certified (2nd & 3rd GBMs)
 - ~ February 11th Adult CPR
 - ~ February 18th Adult CPR + First AidCPR classes are held at UF, rooms and times are TBA.

- ~CPR Instructor Courses

- Feb 7th, 8th, 9th, 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd (4-9pm each day)
 - Apr 20th, 21st (5:30-10:30pm)
 - 22nd, 23rd (9am-6pm)
- Instructor courses are held at the Chapter.

- - *Lindsay (VP) talked about how you can be involved with the CPR classes, either if you want to be an instructor or take the instructor course, or just help out with the classes.*
- - *CPR instructor class dates are listed on the outline of the meeting. If you are interested please contact Anaid (President). It is \$150 to take the course, but is refundable after you teach 4 classes for the chapter.*

- Service Events:

Sarah Quaisi

- ~ BEST BUDDIES

- Early February: *Sarah discussed the best buddies program. she is still waiting for more details and dates, and will be posted as soon as she receives the information*

- ~ BATS: Teach 1st Aid to kids: *(Basic Aid Training) for elementary students.*

- ** we are still waiting to hear from the schools to implement these programs. We will let you know the dates as soon as we know.*

- ~ Valentine's Service & Social

Lindsay Mount

- February 13th : - *Lindsay will be in contact with some schools for the children to make valentines which we will deliver February 13th to the children's hospital from 5pm-7pm. There are only 5 more volunteer spots left so sign up @ the Yahoo! Group page ASAP. After delivering the valentines, ALL members will have a Valentines social Time & Location is TBA.*

- Babysitting Classes

- ~ March 4th On-Campus (Need Volunteers): *Sign-up ONLINE!*

- American Red Cross certifies children in babysitting. (fundraising event for Red Cross Gators)*

- *Program for middle schoolers to get a certificate to become a babysitter. It is an all day class and we are going to need help!*

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- teach first aid, CPR and other things included in the instructors manual.
- Date DID NOT change! It remains March 4th.

- Fundraising Events: Heather Holley &
Christina Earnsha
 - ~ Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream
 - March 23rd 7-8pm: (we need to meet a quota, so flyer-ing and getting the word out is very important!)

5. More Events

- Red Cross Chapter Social
 - ~Early March: *This is an opportunity to get to know the people in the background and let them get to know you! Exact date is not known yet, please keep up with the listserv for information. We do a lot for the chapter, and they are excited about setting this up with us, so they can meet us and recognize faces with names.*
- In-meeting Service Project (March- Red Cross Month): *Comfort Kits for Disaster Victims. Will be using materials that were donated to the local Red Cross Chapter.*
- Adopt a School Program: *Please contact Lindsay (cickite@ufl.edu) if you are at all interested in trying to build this program. Lindsay (VP) and Haley (the red cross intern) are going to be working on this project which involves making contacts with a couple of high schools, having them recommend a student leader (such as student government leader) who will shadow the red cross gators, attend our meetings and our events and see if it is something that they might be interested in starting in their own schools, which we will help them to do. This will be an ongoing project for the next year or so,*
- Whales Tales
 - ~Early April: *Water Safety course for children. We may implement this program in early April, but it depends on the schools and scheduling. We will let you know of any concrete dates in the future for this program.*
- Hurricane Preparedness Packs
 - ~April: *This is something we may be doing in April where we make the comfort kits and sell them as a fundraiser possibly, or just donate them.*
- Fundraising
 - ~ Cold Stone Ice Cream
 - ~ Froots
 - ~ Poker Tournament
- CPR-a-thon (TBA)
- Lake Wauburg Social
 - ~April 22nd Last Social,
Honors members will be recognized.

6. Contact

- E-mail: redcross@grove.ufl.edu
- Website: <http://grove.ufl.edu/~redcross>
- ListServe: <http://groups.yahoo.com/>

7. Adjournment: *The officers would like to thank you all who came to our first meeting, and hope that you continue to attend. Please do not feel overwhelmed by the amount of projects we have going on this semester. We take into consideration that everyone has busy schedules and classes, which is why we have so many ways that you can be involved, but do something you enjoy, maybe even have fun! We are a great group of people, who all want to make a difference.*

If you have any questions about any of the items discussed tonight at the meeting, please feel free to email any of the officers, and we will be glad to help you. Keep your eyes peeled to the listserv for all information, details, dates and reminders!

Thank you for coming, hope to see you soon!

Next meeting : Monday, February 6, 2006, 6:30pm @ the Reitz Union – room 287