

TVOAD MINUTES
MARCH 12, 1998

1. Roll Call

2. Program

Jerry Orchanian, of the National Weather Service presented the topic of El Nino's causes and effects on the weather in our nation, particularly how it affects our weather here in the Southeast. He announced the Severe Weather Week (March 1-7), stating that each day would be dedicated to a different type of weather pattern (tornadoes, floods, hurricanes, etc.). TVOAD would like to help promote this another year.

3. New Business

The membership list was handed out, and everyone was asked to update the information on it, as well as adding their e-mail address if they have one. Those with e-mail addresses will receive future notices of upcoming meetings by e-mail, thus saving mailing costs.

BellSouth will provide cellphones for VOAD agencies to use during disasters if those agencies will make arrangements beforehand.

4. Treasurers report: There is currently \$877.09 in the TVOAD account.

Old Business

1. Richard Ramey gave a report on the NVOAD meeting he and Tim Bearden attended in New Orleans. They attended several workshops that they felt were beneficial.

2. The Resource Manual was discussed, and the need for updating it was mentioned. That, and the New Membership Packet will be reviewed by the committee chaired by Jaynee Day (SHFB).

3. Discussion of the Response in which many TVOAD member agencies aided in Clark County, TN was discussed. This response was very successful, and will serve as a model for future VOAD responses within the State.

Nominating Committee

It is time to nominate new officers for the year 1998 - 1999. A nominating committee consisting of Brenda Blakemore (ARC), Jaynee Day (SHFB) and Nels Angelin (ACS) was appointed to have recommendations ready for the May meeting.

Announcement was made of the upcoming EMAT Annual Conference to be held at the Maxwell House Hotel in Nashville March 23 - 27.

Several informative brochures were made available to members.
Lunch was provided by TEMA.

Adjournment: 2:30 PM