Attended By:

Australia – Murray Bird, Seamus Devlin
USA – John Radomsky, Allen Dupree
Canada – Alex Gryska
South Africa- Christo De Klerk
Poland – Piort Buchwald
United Kingdom – Tony Forster, Barrie Jones
Germany – Georg Bresser, Wolgang
Romania – Arthur Gaman
Czech Republic – Zdenek Pavlek, Alois Adamus
China –Zhijian Wang

Regrets:

Norway
New Zealand
India

Issues Discussed:

IMRB Website

- Alex Gryska (Canada) Presented possible options for a website. He agreed to proceed with the development. His parent organization agreed to absorb the costs associated with the launch of the site.

Action: All countries supported the motion and Alex Gryska Agreed with Developing the site.

Membership Fees

- The need for generating revenues for supporting the IMRB was discussed.
- Numerous options were tabled including:
    o Finding a sponsor from the private sector who would in turn obtain promotion and advertising from the IMRB.
    o Annual member fees

Action: Member nations agreed to defer this issue for a future meeting at which time Alex Gryska would identify costa associated with establishing and maintaining a website. It was also agreed that member nations do not support a single sponsor of our organisation.

Future IMRB Conference Hosts

- The list of future IMRB Conference hosts was reviewed as follows: 2009 Czech Republic, 2011 China and 2013 Canada

Action: Member nations agreed to support the following nations hosting subsequent events:
    2009 Czech Republic
    2011 China
    2013 Canada

Membership

- The issue of regular conference/meeting attendance was raised and discussed.
- It was indicated that the IMRB is a growing organisation and it is more important that the value of emergency response information sharing and transfer be promoted rather than meeting attendance. Also it was agreed that membership will increase as the IMRB website becomes fully integrated.

Action: Will be discussed at future meetings.

International Mines Rescue Competition

- The relationship between the Conference and Competition was discussed and it was felt that the two are separate entities.
- It was agreed that this would be further discussed at a later conference if it is raised

Action: It was agreed that IMRB will support the Competition through promotion and advertising.

Web Site Proposal:
International Mines Rescue Body
27/03/06

Introduction
The International Mines Rescue Body was formed in 2001 to promote the work of mine rescue around the world, and to encourage cooperation among the participating organization, aimed at creating progress in techniques and equipment. To help fulfill this purpose, the IMRB determined at its 2005 meeting that it would be helpful to have a common web site. MASHA agreed to scope the dimensions of the project, prepare a plan and share it with the IMRB members.

Goal
The goal of the IMRB web site will be to help various mine rescue services share information, and to enhance the profile of mine rescue worldwide.

Principles
The principles to be used to guide design and development of this site are:
- A two-phase approach to determine uptake
- Easy access and participation for international mine rescue partners
- Neutral cost, at least over the long-term, for the organization developing and maintaining the site

Audiences
The primary audience for the site would be the members of the participating mine rescue organizations. Secondary audiences would include the general public, such as reporters and students, mining companies, mine rescue volunteers, equipment manufacturers and vendors.

Outline
There are many possible uses and applications for a shared international mine rescue web site. We recommend that the IMRB approach development of its site in two phases:
1. A simple portal site linking to member sites and offering basic information and depending on uptake and participation in this site,
2. A more complex site offering additional information and opportunities for knowledge sharing.

Costs of development and maintenance for the site could be recovered by seeking corporate sponsors.

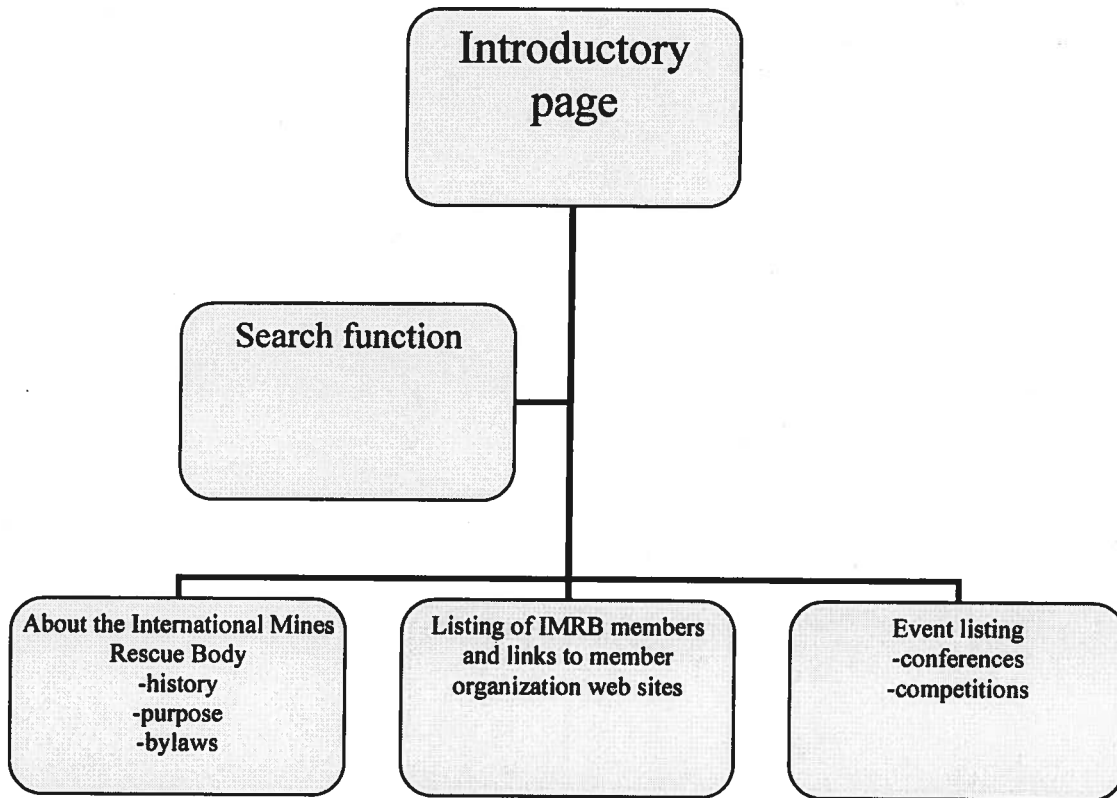A content map for each phase is attached.

Process

The design and development of the site would be overseen by MASHA on behalf of IMRB, with checkpoints for review and approval by representatives of the international body.

1. Research and planning
2. Proposal – to be reviewed and approved by executive of IMRB
3. Contract with web developer for initial phase of development
4. Develop design and look for the web site
5. Develop content and structure
6. Identify and contract with web site sponsors
7. Pilot test site with IMRB member groups
8. Launch site – marketing and communication
9. Ongoing maintenance and evaluation
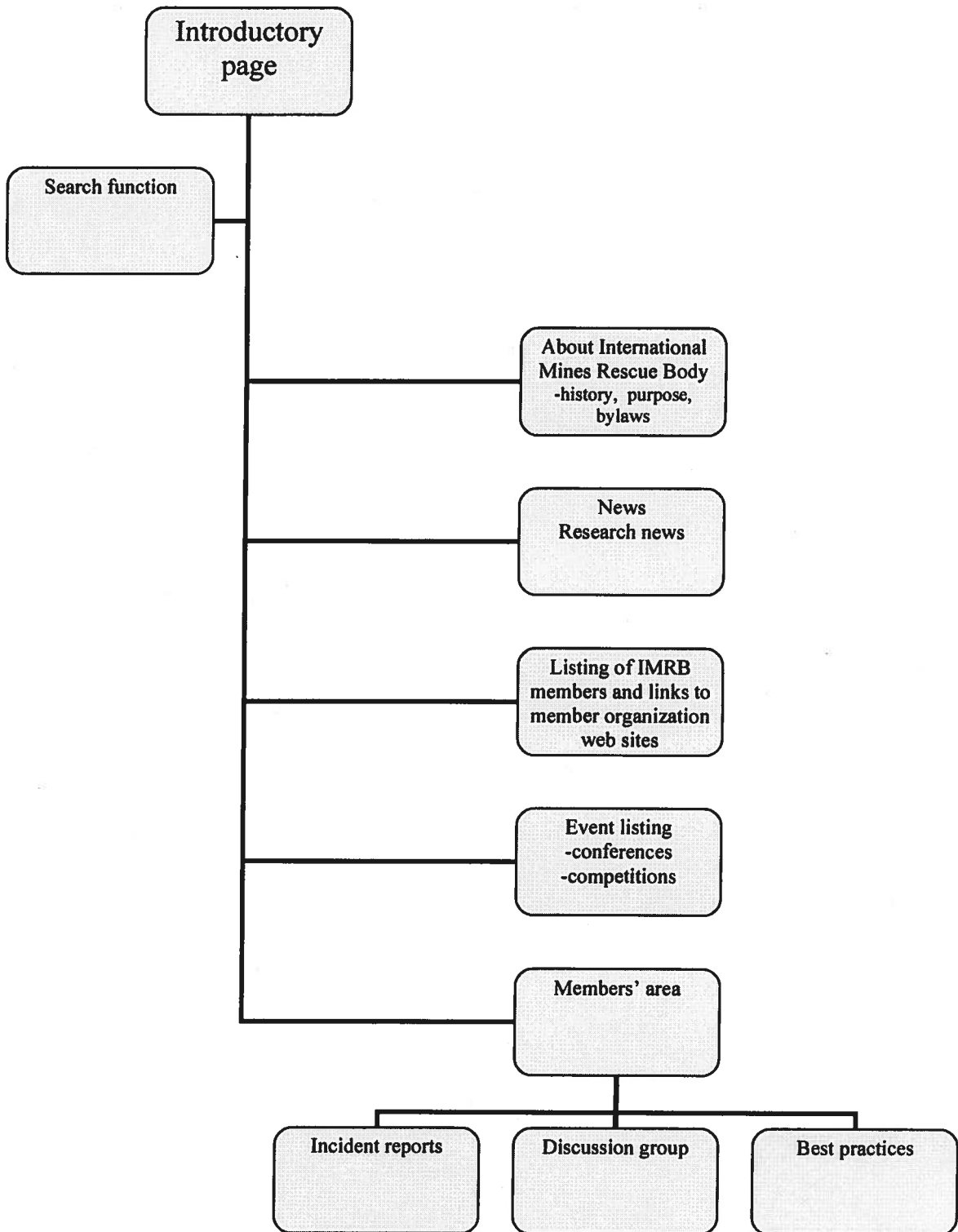10. Development of second phase of site if need is established

Budget

To be determined

IMRB web site – content organization
PHASE 1

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IMRB web site – content organization
PHASE 2

Introductory page

Search function

About International Mines Rescue Body
-history, purpose, bylaws

News
Research news

Listing of IMRB members and links to member organization web sites

Event listing
-conferences
-competitions

Members' area

Incident reports

Discussion group

Best practices

QUOTE FOR SERVICES

May 05, 2006

Mine and Aggregates Safety and Health Association
690 McKeown Ave.
North Bay, ON P1B 9P1

Web Site Proposal: International Mines Rescue Body (Phase 1)

Description:

Paragon Media will design and develop a "self-maintenance" website for the International Mine Rescue Body based on the Phase 1 content map in the draft proposal provided by MASHA. Individuals designated by the International Mine Rescue Body will have the ability to login and modify the content on the *about the international mines* page, *IMRB members* page and the *event listings* page. The self-maintenance aspect of the website means that, under normal circumstances, no additional maintenance costs will be incurred.   Advertising space can also be sold by IMRB to sponsors to help recoup the initial cost of development and offset the yearly hosting and domain name registration fees. The main pages of the website will be constructed to display a randomly chosen sponsor's banner ad. Paragon Media will develop 5 of these banner ads *(logos and text message supplied)* and additional banner ads can be developed for an added fee.

Paragon Media will be available to begin work on this project on May 23, 2006 and expected completion date will be 45 calendar days from project start date.

Hosting Specifications:

- 500MB of disc space for files and email;
- 5 Gigabyte of data transfer per month;
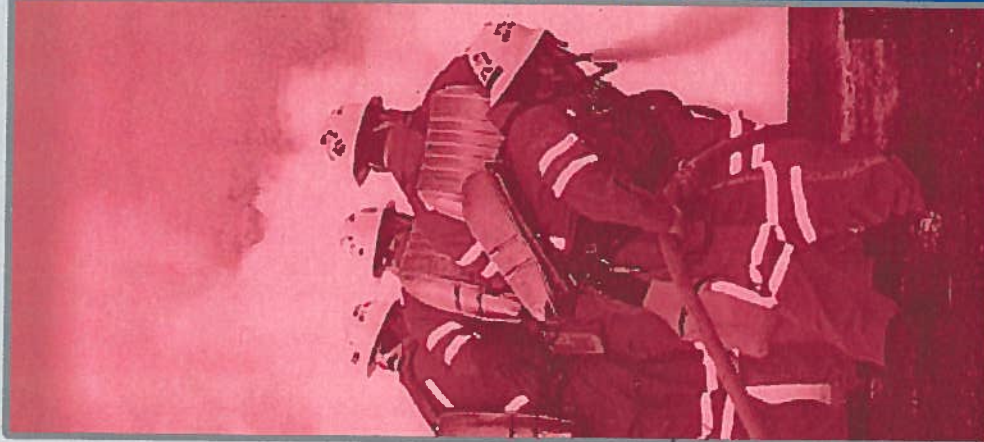- 20 email accounts (additional available upon request).

Cost:

Design/Development Cost	$2700
Hosting/Domain Name Registration (per year)	$255
Total Cost	**$2955**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact:

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MRB : International Mine Rescue Body

IMRB Events

IMRB Members

About IMRB

Mine rescue is the specialized job of rescuing miners and others who have become trapped or injured, and combating fires and other emergencies in underground mines. Mine rescue teams are trained and equipped to deal with a wide range of hazards and situations including fires, explosions, rockfalls, toxic gases, influx of water, and injuries.