

Draft Minutes PNA Board Meeting, July 22, 2008

I. Warm Up

- A. **Call to Order and Introductions:** President Steve Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:50 pm at Yesler Community Center. Board members present were Toby Coenen, Herb Cook, Cathy Cooley, Lisa Dahl, Sally Dillon, Jeanne Ensign, Paul Freeman, Arni Litt, Mike McColly, Hugh Moore, Jane Moore, Jo Moore, Steve Peterson, and Hallie Truswell.
- B. **President's Report:** Steve presented several Olympics-related swimming articles from the Kitsap Sun newspaper plus one about the oldest competitor (83) at this year's Washington State Senior Games meet. Steve mentioned potential banquet ideas from the Florida Mavericks newsletter and several fundraising ideas being pursued by the Arizona LMSC (team apparel, entertainment books, and recycling electronic gear). Steve promised to email his revised leadership team contact sheet and board meeting deadlines listing to board members.
- C. **Minutes: MSA with corrections.**
- D. **Treasurer's Report: MSA as presented.** Toby presented the financial report orally. \$2,000 was spent on postage for *The WetSet*. \$1700 went to swimmer registration and reimbursement for the Orca swim meet. Lisa Dahl and Sarah Welch requested early reimbursement for their convention airfare.

II. Current Action Items

- A. **PNA Designated Coaches for LC Nationals:** Lisa Dahl introduced Frank Comeford, currently coaching at Evergreen College, approved as LC Nationals designated coach by the ad hoc selection committee of Lisa, Steve, and Jane Moore. Frank is new to the PNA. He is from Calgary, has been coaching for 40 years, and loves coaching Masters. He swam for the Toronto World Games and has coached National level swimmers. He likes to challenge us all and is hoping to give some tidbits of wisdom to those going to Gresham. The committee also designated Wendy Neely as assistant coach. The Psych Sheets are now posted on line. Warmups start at 6:30 am and the meet will start at 7:30 am, earlier than originally posted because of meet size. Steve and Lisa will assist Coaches Frank and Wendy with relays preparation.
- B. **Convention Delegate Selection: MSA to accept Lisa Dahl, Jan Kavadas, and Walt Reid as convention delegates,** leaving one unfilled spot. Steve will submit these three names to USMS Secretary Meg Smath.
- C. **Bylaws Revision:** Jane Moore presented the finalized Section 5.0 – Membership. We worked on Section 5.4 (). We will vote on final approval when all sections are complete.
- D. **Clinic Planning:** Questions about the Toyota-sponsored Dara Torres swim clinics were discussed. The online address is www.toyotaswimming.com/mastersswimming.
- E. **SC Nationals 2007 Team Reimbursements: MSA to table as Lisa was out of the room. MSA to remove from table.** Jeanne will revise the list of teams and reimbursement stipends which appeared in the Aug 8 minutes.

III. New Action Items:

- A. **Dot Donnelly USMS Service Awards:** Steve Peterson will join fellow award recipients Jeanne Ensign and Arni Litt to select up to two nominees. Nomination letters must be sent to new Awards & Recognition Chair Sally Dillon by the July 30 deadline. One suggestion was to consider someone from other LMSCs. Lee Carlson has nominated someone from Oregon.

IV. Reports

- A. **Membership:** We have 1319 members, qualifying PNA for a 4th Convention delegate. Arni noted that three swimmers had registered using the 2007 form and questioned the value of trying to collect the difference. **MSA to forego the \$15 total shortfall.**
- B. **Meets:** Cathy and Mike would like more training for their new positions. BAM doesn't have the meet bid packet to submit yet. In February, Bellevue Club plans to again host their 25m meet.
- C. **Open Water:** Toby reported that Fat Salmon had 333 entries. No late entries were accepted. 306 participated, slightly over the Seattle permit limit of 300. There is a city fee per swimmer. GLAD, despite its permit application taking some time, put on a great swim! It was suggested that because of the good sized audience, we should take advantage by presenting information about Masters swimming and promoting membership and coaches. Use of the USMS membership display was discussed. Lake Padden is all set for August 2, 2008.

- D. **Coaches:** The ASCA clinic is in Las Vegas this year and Lisa asked if any coaches will take advantage of this training. USMS offers grants to coaches for ASCA. Lisa will follow up with Wendy Neely to send out information about the clinic and see if any coaches have responded. A grant to help with expenses to ASCA was also received from the One Hour Swim and Sally passed on the paperwork to Lisa at a previous meeting.
- E. ***The WetSet:*** Paul proposed a contents list for the calendar year 2009. He suggested we run meet entry forms for two consecutive months. Hugh suggested we can post these on the website. Paul would like more article contributors. Lisa suggested we break down specific jobs for volunteers with a good description of what it entails. **MSA that we reduce the minimum number of meet announcements to publish in *The WetSet* to one.**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

Respectfully submitted, Jo Moore

Next Meetings:

Sept 16 Yesler Community Center
Oct 28 Yesler Community Center
Dec 2 Arni Litt's house in Seattle