

Pacific Masters Swimming
General Meeting
October 23, 2002

Call to order and introductions: The meeting was called to order by Michael Moore, Chairman @ 7:30 p.m.

Introductions: Eric Christensen, BTW, Joel Wilson, Paul Wrangell, CRUZ, Michael Moore, FOG, Clarine Anderson, LAM, Cindy Baxter, RINC, Barry Fasbender, STAN, Nancy Ridout, Dore Schwab, TAM, Barb Thomas, Joanne Berven, Mary Nygren, TVM, Carol Berendsen, Marcia Benjamin, UNAT, Bill Grohe, USF, Joan Alexander, Joan Smith, Richard Smith, Kerry O'Brien, WCM

Officers' Reports

After introductions, Michael Moore asked Nancy Ridout to introduce Eric Christensen, co-founder of the newly formed Nonprofit with a charter to support under privileged youth programs and amateur sport in the Bay Area. The Bay Area Corporate Challenge will host 14 sporting events occurring over a 14-day period in late September-October of 2003. The Corporate Challenge will be broken out into 4 regions – North Bay, South Bay, East Bay and San Francisco. Eric stated that what they are looking for from Pacific Master Swimming is to be the coordinator of necessary related activities to be sure that the swimming events are conducted in a professional manner and properly executed. This will be beneficial to all constituents as the participants will have the best possible experience and put the Pacific Masters in the best situation to be able to capture new membership for your organization. Throughout the San Francisco Bay Area there are thousands of underprivileged children that are unable to participate in athletic activities within their local communities. The BACC mission is to support organizations that focus on underprivileged youth where funding and expansion of programs will ultimately benefit more to the children. The objective of BACC is to implement a long term, sustainable business model that will ensure stability and growth. First, the costs associated with running the games will be tied to fees for corporate team entry. Second, the corporate sponsorship initiative will allow for profitability and the means to support the BACC grant making goals for the benefit of Bay Area youth programs.

A discussion followed in the regular meeting under the Registrar's report. There was a MSC to continue exploring a partnership with the BACC. All specific questions should be given to Nancy Ridout.

Approval of the minutes of September 25, 2002 - MST to approve the minutes because of changes.

Treasurer - Clarine Anderson – The short and long form financials were presented. MSP to accept the report. The 2003 budget was presented. There is a projected deficit of \$30,381.00. The contracts for the Registrar, Web Master and Newsletter Editor are currently estimates until all data is received and calculated. Clarine has been asked to take on this responsibility. MSP to approve the 2003 Budget.

Chairman – Michael Moore – Michael has received a letter of resignation from Rick Windes due to poor health. This was accepted with great regret. At the Executive Meeting proposals to fill current vacancies were discussed. With the concurrence of the candidates, the following people were nominated for the one-year vacant EC positions and were approved by acclamation. Vice Chairman Administration, Richard Smith, At-Large, William Grohe. Michael Moore appointed Barbara Thomas as the new Fitness Chair and Bill Grohe to serve as Marketing Chair. The Executive Committee voted to make changes in the events at the 2002 SCM Championship. Walnut Creek then added a heat of swimmers at the end of each competitive day (Saturday and Sunday) to let all others that had entered swim. Barry Fasbender commented that the 800 Meters for 2003 not be limited to a specific number of participants.

A call for Service Awards will be due in February.

Vice Chairman Administration – Richard Smith – No Report

Vice Chairman Operations - Barry Fasbender – Barry has requested \$250 for a steel tape for measuring pools for certification. MSP. Barry will chair a sub-committee with Cindy Baxter to measure pools.

Secretary - Joan Alexander - Executive Meeting – It was announced that Rick Windes had resigned his position due to poor health. There were 6 items on the agenda. 1. The ad hoc nominating committee had four names for the position of Vice Chairman. 2. The Budget was discussed and Clarine will look into finalizing the personnel contracts. 3. The Retreat agenda was discussed and related themes such as coaching, membership, financial, legal, were discussed. 4. The Bay Area Corporate Challenge was discussed. 5. FINA World Championships was discussed by Barry. It was noted that Stanford would be the ideal location because of the two long course pools in anticipation of a crowd nearing or greater than the Munich level. It was suggested that PMS would participate in hosting the event. 6. The Open Water Points Competition will be discussed in the regular meeting.

At-Large – Bill Grohe – No Report

Committee Reports

Zone Rep – Joan Alexander – No Report

Registration and Records - Nancy Ridout – We registered our 10,000th swimmer of 2002 on Friday, October 11th. Her name is Michelle Heinz, SCSC, and she will be awarded a free membership for 2003. We have had this goal for several years now and this is the year that it was achieved. As of October 19th, we have registered 10,046 swimmers and 121 clubs. Meet results have been received from all the SCM meets and records will be submitted to USMS this week for inclusion in the November records listings.

Our next meeting will be our Annual Meeting and will be held November 20th. This is a potluck dinner and is scheduled to start at 7:00 pm. PMS will provide drinks, utensils, napkins, plates and cups, and bread. Committee members will provide the food as noted below. It is traditional to invite team members and friends to this meeting, which will be shorter than

usual. Please bring a dish for 8 – and a friend. Those living within a 45-minute drive (or anyone who wants to) bring a main dish. Those living over 45 minutes away - bring a salad or desert.

The meeting dates have been approved for this facility for 2003. The retreat has been scheduled at the Marin Academy November 23, 2002 from 9:30-3:00 and the theme is “How can Pacific Masters help our clubs.” Kerry gave Nancy the new Top Time patch design.

Coaches – Kerry O’Brien and Brian Stack – Kerry reported that the committee would try to honor all attendees with scholarships for the Napa Coaches Clinic.

Communications/Newsletter - Michael Moore – The SCM Championship results and records were posted. The Long Course Meters Top Ten were posted.

Joanne Berven – The registration information is on the front page. November 15 is the deadline for the Jan/Feb issue.

Fitness – Barbara Thomas – No Report

Health and Safety - Carol Berendsen – Carol cited an article in the newspaper regarding the defibrillator – 8% recovery without use and 92% with use if used within 4 minutes. Debates on the care in other facilities is on the agenda at the Bay Area Public Pools Association in November along with protocol and waiver being drafted. Training and legal issues, and ADE price will be discussed. Most are facility-bound but are very portable. A policy is needed regarding who will provide the care.

Hospitality - Cindy Baxter and Ann Kay – No Report

Equipment – Dale Finch – absent – No Report

Legislation Rules - Alan Levinson – absent - Michael reported that only one rules change had been received. The Guide To Operations needs fine-tuning. A review will begin.

Marketing/Public Relations – Bill Grohe/Dore Schwab – The committee is concentrating on the outer areas, the valley, the south valley, and Redding. Redding is opening up a new swimming complex.

Meet Operations - Barry Fasbender – Short Course Championships are scheduled for April 4-6, 2003, the same time as Far Westerns in Pleasanton and may mean that there will be problems with getting timing systems, and officials. Barry will contact them to see availability. On-line entries were expected to be available by December but this now looks doubtful. PMS will consider the \$600 fee to buy the HYTEK program and put in the 2003 or 2004 budget.

Officials – Cindy Baxter – No Report.

Scheduling - Marcia Benjamin – Changes have been made in the schedule SCAM from 3/29 to 3/22, Fog City Quadrathlon 2/2, SCM meet by Mt View Masters Sunday Sep 7th. They may offer the 800 free relay. MSP to accept the 2003 Calendar of Events. The new method of point count by USMS for Open Water awards was discussed. MSP – 2 nay votes to change the open water points competition to include the formula – even number of swims _, odd number of swims _ rounded up.

Open Water – Cindy Clements absent – No Report

Ad Hoc Top Ten Computer Interface - Barry Fasbender - This is being worked on.

Old Business – none

New Business – It was announced that George Cunningham is doing much better and receiving physical therapy at home.

Team Announcements – none

Adjournment - MSP at 10:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Joan Alexander
Secretary
Pacific Masters Swimming

**Next Meeting – Annual meeting - November 20, 2002 at 7:00 p.m.
The next meeting will be at the Oak Hill Park Community Center, Danville**