

Pacific Masters Swimming
Regular Meeting Conference Call
February 18, 2009

Call to order and introductions: The meeting was called to order by Michael Moore, Chairman @ 7:03 p.m.

Introductions: Michael Moore, Bill Grohe, USF, Chris Campbell, MVM, Barry Fasbender, Jody Smith, STAN, Nancy Ridout, Glenda Carroll, TAM, Alan Levinson, MAM, Joanne Berven, LNM, Marcia Benjamin, Joan Alexander, Joan Smith, Richard Smith, John King, Kristy King, Leianne Crittenden, WCM, Allan Cartwright. Theresa Carroll, Laura Colette, John Morales, (There may be others I missed.)

Chairman – Michael Moore – Call for Service Awards and the Ransom Arthur Award due in March.

USMS BOD announced they will have headquarters in Sarasota, FL.

LMSC competency will review By-Laws and should include Grievance Procedures. Alan Levinson will compare ours to what USMS wants. Also, look at Guide to Operations on USMS website.

The five largest teams are in Pacific: Davis Aquatic Masters, Walnut Creek Masters, Manatee Masters, TCAM, Stanford, and Indy Swim Fit.

Vice Chair Administration – Leianne Crittenden, no report

Vice Chair Operations – Barry Fasbender, no report

Secretary – Joan Alexander, MSA to accept the 11/19/08 and the 1/21/09 minutes.

Treasurer – Linda Shoenberger - The members discussed what they wanted in the Treasurer's report. It was decided that they need Budget vs. Actual on a quarterly basis. There was the question of equipment, and it was advised that the equipment no longer owned by PMS, be removed from the ledger. Linda will send the contracts to Leianne for review.

At Large – Bill Grohe, no report

Scheduling – Marcia Benjamin - no report. OW awards: available this week.

Registration – Nancy Ridout

We have registered 6,429 swimmers and 115 clubs as of 2/14/09, an increase of 793 swimmers and two clubs since January 21st, our last meeting (3 weeks ago). Approximately 2/3 of our members have registered online with a credit card and 1/3 by check or cash. Past registrations for comparative February dates are 5,684 swimmers and 113 clubs as of 2/11/08, 5,437 swimmers and 97 clubs as of 2/16/07; 5,337 swimmers and 102 clubs as of 2/11/06; 4,934 swimmers as of 2/10/05; 4,951 as of 2/14/04; 4,998 swimmers and 102 clubs as of 2/14/03; 5,414 swimmers and 104 clubs as of 2/16/02; 5,166 and 111 as of 2/23/01; 4,752 and 95 as of 2/18/00; 4,466 and 87 as of 2/5/99; 4,482 and 89 as of 2/25/98; 4,432 and 87 as of 2/21/97; 4,366 and 93 as of 2/23/96; 3,911 and 83 as of 2/22/95; 3,776 and 79 as of 2/23/94; 3,722 and 80 as of 2/19/93; 3,867 and 71 as of 2/21/92.

USMS will be emailing a reminder to 2007 and 2008 members, who haven't yet renewed, that their membership is not current, along with the benefits of keeping their membership up to date and a link to their membership record.

Top Ten/Records – Nancy Ridout

The PMS Short Course Meters Top Ten was submitted to USMS ahead of schedule. The Preliminary USMS SCM Top Ten is posted at www.usms.org for swimmers to view and notify us of errors. MANY THANKS TO Joan Smith for proofing the USMS version to see that all our swimmers are included!! My

next project is the 2008 SC, LC, and SCM records and the 2008 Swimmers of the Year tabulation due next month for your approval.

Meet Operations – Barry Fasbender

Meet Manager Orders. An order will be place shortly for a one-time copy of Meet Manager for the BEAR Swimming meet.

2009 Long Course PMS Championships. Stephen Small (Lock Ness Masters) put me in touch with Greg Kubicki of Chabot Aquatics, who coaches women's and men's swimming. Chabot College Aquatics is interested in hosting the Pacific Masters Long Course Championships on July 8-10, 2009. He will have a definite answer with a week. They use a Daktronics timing system. I told him that we would help get most of the deck officials for the meet.

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New Vender for Meet Registration. Swim connection will no longer be able to offer their online m entry service for the various Pacific Masters Swimming sanctioned swim meets. They continue to support the meets that are currently accepting online meet entries. We have been working with Club Assistant, who wrote the program for USMS membership registration and also has a Masters meet registration service. Their standard fee is \$100 to the host for set up and an on-line swimmer charge of 6% of entry fees. The meet registration service performs USMS member verification prior to completion of meet registration. Swimmers that are not USMS registered are taken directly to the USMS registration site before they can complete registration for a meet. You can register for the "This BEAR Don't Hibernate" swim meet, 3/1, at: https://www.ClubAssistant.com/club/meet_information.cfm?c=1192&smid=1567 FastLane Tek has also expressed interest in providing this service to PMS. They are currently providing Hy-Tek Meet Management service for many of our meets.

Cost of Meet Management Services. Move to: **MSA**

- (1) Have PMS pay directly for the cost of Meet Management Services.
- (2) Raise the maximum individual entry fee for any non-championship Pac Masters meet from \$25 to \$30 for prepaid entries and from \$50 to \$60 for deck entries.
- (3) Raise the maximum for Championship meets from \$35 to \$40.
- (4) Require all meet hosts to pay a meet services fee to Pac Masters of \$4.00 per swimmer.

These changes would be effective for any meet, which has not already included the increased fees in a published Meet Info document. This method has the advantage of being billed directly for the cost of Meet Management Services allowing us to easily tract the cost per meet. **MSA**

Manteca Senior Games. Move to approve the Manteca Senior Games on Sunday, April 26, 2009. USMS swimmer contact is David Breitenbucher. **MSA** to recognize the Senior Games.

Legislation/Rules – Alan Levinson, no report

Open Water – Glenda Carroll

14 swim dates, 19 swims

Parkside needs to change date to April 25. **MSA** to date change

Open Water 101 - Have reserved Quarry Lake for Sunday, July 26

Location rental - \$250

Lifeguards may be up to \$400!

Is it worth it?

Trailer – Allan Cartwright, no report.

Communications – Newsletter-Joanne Berven, Web Master-Michael Moore

Newsletter – March 6 will be the next deadline. Web Master – no report

Coaches –Chris Campbell, no report

Fitness – TBD, no report

Marketing/Publications – Bill Grohe

Officials – John King, no report

Ad Hoc Facilities – Joan Alexander, no report

Action Items from October through January

1. ~~Find a new PMS Secretary – MM, COMPLETED 1/21~~
2. Seek out 2009 PMS Service Award nominees – all, MM in Update, JB in Newsletter, **in process**
3. Finish “Guidelines for Meet Directors” and develop job description for Meet Liaison & Evaluation Committee – NR and BF, **in process**
4. Appoint Meet Liaison & Evaluation Committee – MM, **in process**
5. ~~Appoint task force to create 2009 policy for covering costs of running Hy-Tek computerization at meets – MM, COMPLETED 2/18~~
6. Ask Franz Mortensen to use only FINA Nov. records for Hy-Tek Meet Manager – BF ?
7. ~~Move OW survey higher on Update – MM, COMPLETED~~
8. Plan an OW 101 (OW basic skills clinic) for 2009 – GC, **in process**
9. ~~Investigate OW timing systems and bring results to PMS Committee – GC, DONE~~
10. Explore opportunity for a cable swim at Lake Natoma – AC, **in process**
11. Look at options for meeting Pacific’s needs for web site and email service – MM, **in process**
12. Find new LC Championship facility – JC, **in process**
13. Appoint Fitness and Equipment Chairs – MM, **in process**

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Hospitality – Ridout, March – Clemmons, May – King, July - _____, Sept. – Duggan, Nov - Potluck

Marketing/Public Relations – Bill Grohe – No Report

Old Business –

New Business –

Team Announcements –

Respectfully submitted

Joan Alexander
Secretary
Pacific Masters Swimming