

Pacific Masters Swimming
Regular Meeting

September 9, 2009

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

Introductions: Michael Moore, Bill Grohe, USF, Barry Fasbender, Carolyn Lambert, Jody Smith, STAN, Joanne Berven, LNM, Tillie Cunningham, CRUZ, Chris Campbell, MVM, Susie Powell, RHMS, Cokie Lepinski, MPM, Nancy Ridout, Glenda Carroll, TAM John Morales, SRM, Alan Levinson, MAM, Marcia Benjamin, Peter Guardagni, Kildine Harms, John King, Joan Alexander, WCM, Jim Wheeler, UNAT

Officers' Reports

Approval of the minutes for 08/19/09 MSA

Treasurer – Kildine Harms - (Financial statement included after reports.)

Attached please find the expense budget template for 2010. We will discuss due dates for preliminary budget estimates at this week's board meeting. I assume the following people are responsible for the respective budget sections.

- Nancy: Office, Awards, Convention, Renewal Notice, (Misc. Exp)
- Joanne: Publications
- Michael: Website, Donations (Misc Exp)
- Kildine: Treasurer, Contracts
- Chris: Coaches, videos
- John: Officials, Rule Books (Misc Exp), Swim Guides (Misc Exp) *Traditionally, these have been PMS office orders and expenses (ed. NR)*
- Barry: Sanctions, Meet Incentives (Misc. Exp)
- Bill: Marketing
- Glenda: Open Water

At the meeting we can also discuss how to prepare a revenue budget/estimate. **MSA**

Chairman – Michael Moore – November will be our elections for officers to serve a 2-year term. Michael appointed a Nominating Committee, Barry Fasbender, Bill Grohe, and Alan Levinson. Discussion on non-sanctioned events and publicity, along with non-sanctioned vs. sanctioned events; also, the contribution of money by Pacific Masters to another organization, was brought to the Committee. This should be in our “Guide to Operations” and should be put in policies. A committee of Alan Levinson, Kildene Harms, and Bill Grohe will formulate language and bring to the Committee next month. **MSA 1 against.**

A change in name from Pacific Masters Swimming, to Pacific Masters Swimming, Inc. **MSA**
Ratification of Short Course Championship and Short Course Meters Championship meets. **MSA**

Vice Chairman Administration – Lianne Crittenden – absent no report

Vice Chairman Operations - Barry Fasbender – Update on USMS Rules Committee recommendation for swimsuits. FINA recommendations: shape of suit, shoulder to knee, Zipper, 1 suit only. Should be in effect January 1, 2010, or June 1, 2010.

Rinconada is re-plastering their pool in order to get it certifiable this year. Jim Wheeler to talk to the pool director and give a recommendation on “how to” get the proper length.

FINA is considering letting 20-24 year old age group swim at Worlds.

Secretary – Joan Alexander – No Report

At-Large – Bill Grohe – No Report

Committee Reports

Registration and Records - Registration – Nancy Ridout

PMS has registered 10,431 swimmers and 128 clubs as of 09/09/09. Looking back through our history, we find 9,748 swimmers and 120 clubs as of 9/15/08: 9,688 & 112 as of 9/19/07: 9,884 as of 9/22/06; 9,370 & 106 as of 9/24/05; 9,281 & 113 as of 9/24/04, 9,538 & 110 as of 9/20/03; 9,835 & 119 as of 9/25/02; 9,346 and 119 as of 9/17/01; 8,904 & 112 as of 9/22/00; 8,337 & 102 as of 9/3/99; 8,096 & 101 as of 9/18/98; 7,852 & 107 as of 9/12/97; 7,400 & 108 as of 9/20/96; 6,569 & 94 as of 9/8/95; 6,509 & 94 as of 9/16/94; 6,111 & 91 as of 9/15/93; 6,084 & 80 as of 9/11/92). You can see this is our largest registration of swimmers and clubs in our history – 38 years. Since our last meeting we welcome the Downtown Oakland YMCA - DOY, Mavericks Masters Swimming – MMSW, and Solano Aquatic Sea Otters – SASO. A complete club listing can be found at the end of the reports.

Clubs may begin renewing for 2010 as of October 1st and I'll be sending out a message and the new form to that effect after the convention to ensure the information is correct and up to date. As of 9/1/09, new members will be able to pay a reduced fee of \$30 when joining. Any swimmers paying the full fee will be sent a \$10 voucher with their cards to use for reducing their 2010 fee. Registration materials will be sent out to each currently registered club in early October.

Here is the proposed meeting calendar for 2010. **MSA** to accept the following dates.

Jan. 20
Feb. 17 cc
March 17
Apr. 21 cc
May 12
June 16 cc
July 14
Sept. 8
Oct. 20 cc

Nov. 17 Holiday Potluck

Dec. No Meeting

Convention Report – The following delegates have been approved by the committee or the BOD. 1-Tracy Barbutes, 2-Chris Campbell, 3-Glenda Carroll, 4-Laura Colette, 5-Carolyn Cunningham, 6-Bill Grohe, 7-Leon Kief, 8-John King, 9-Kristy King, 10-Caroline Lambert, 11-Cokie Lepinski, 12-Alan Levinson, 13-Terri Maginnis, 14-John Morales, 15-Amanda Oberacker, 16-Susie Powell, 17-Arlene Proebsting, 18-Linda Shoenberger, 19-Jody Smith, 20-Jim Wheeler. Delegates by virtue of USMS responsibilities include 21-Joan Alexander-Legislation, 22-Jinm Clemmons-Finance, 23-Leianne Crittenden-Rules, Zone Rep.,24-Barry Fasbender-Rules, 25-Michael Moore-BOD, 26-Nancy Ridout-BOD. All have been registered, sent a link to the convention booklet, sent a check to cover expenses, and sent a rooming list (subject to change.) We have one single room that was reserved for the Smiths that I hope we can convert to a double with 2 beds. Since I get there early, I'll try to check in for that room and snag a double. We have been able to transfer the registrations for Stu, Richard, and Joan to our new delegates Terri, Susie, and Leon.

Top Ten/Records – Nancy Ridout

The Long Course Top Ten and records have been submitted. A copy is here tonight for you to look at.

Coaches - Chris Campbell – no report

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

1. ***Newsletter** – The next deadline is September 17th - to the publisher. Do we need to ask for an extension?

2. **Web Master** – No report

Fitness – Linda Shoenberger, no report

Ad Facilities Coordinator – Alexander – I have booked the Community Center (our normal room) for our November Annual Meeting - 7-10pm as I was unable to reserve the Parkside Room.

Health and Safety – TBA, no report

Hospitality – Rotating: Sept **Alexander**, November, potluck

Equipment – TBA

Scheduling – Marcia Benjamin,

Meet Operations – Barry Fasbender -

We need to discuss possible a penalty for a swimmer that did not check in for the 50 Back and then swam in the place of an older swimmer who did not show up for his heat. This affected team scores and the scoring for one age group along with placement in that age group. **This will be given to the Executive Committee and it will give a report to the Committee.**

Legislation/Rules – Alan Levinson – By-Laws proposals – This will be discussed at convention.

Marketing/Publications – Bill Grohe, No Report

Officials – John King

I would like to propose an additional step in the meet approval (or sanction) process that calls for the selection of the meet referee be either chosen or approved by the Pacific officials chair. The referee approval can take place after the sanction number is assigned.

With records at stake, as well as meet situations that arise (timing equipment breakdowns, etc.) it's important that an individual who can deal with these events be in charge, who is current with USMS rules. In most cases, there are regular fully qualified head referees who attend the same meets, and part of this process will be to encourage officials work different meets providing a fresh perspective on the meet. Having the referee approval be a necessary step in all meet approvals ensures that all meets get the same referee review.

John to develop and report policy to Committee for a vote.

Scheduling – Marcia Benjamin - verbal report – The 2010 schedule was presented and MSA to accept the schedule with minor changes.

Open Water - Glenda Carroll – No Report

Trailer – Allan Cartwright, no report

New Business – None

Old Business - New Award Proposal – Nancy Ridout

The committee of Nancy Ridout, Cokie Lepinski, Peter Guadagni, John Morales, and Chris Campbell, have not been able to meet this month. We will have a report by our next meeting.

Team Announcements –

Respectfully submitted

Joan Alexander
Secretary
Pacific Masters Swimming