## **MINUTES**

## INLAND NORTHWEST MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEE (IWMSC) SPOKANE AND TELECONFERENCE, MARCH 5, 2007

**Attendees:** Paige Buehler \* Brian Johnson \*

Virgil Crampton \* Larry Krauser \*
Sue Dills \* Susanne Simpson \*
Doug Garcia \* Susan Pfursich

Margaret Hair \*

1. Review/Approve Minutes of Last Meeting (4-1-06) – It was brought to the attention of the Board that there was an incorrect statement in the previous minutes under New Business regarding USMS Open Water Nationals – Long Bridge. The minutes were unanimously amended as follows: the last sentence of the paragraph will be replaced with – "Larry Krauser will be Event Director for the USMS 1-3 Mile Open Water National Championship and will represent the IWMSC for this event."

A motion was made to approve the amended minutes from the April 1, 2006, meeting and was approved.

## **REPORTS**

- **2. Treasurer's Report** Virgil reported that as of Dec. 31, 2006, IWMSC had \$4,966.56 compared to \$3,820.56 at Dec. 31, 2005. The increase was mainly due to a reduction in expenses: printing, publications, mailings, and only one individual to Convention. The revenues stayed pretty much the same.
- **3.** Newsletter Report Doug reports that the current newsletter is now in the mail.

Doug is seeking a replacement to assemble and publish the newsletter – he would like to step down.

**4. Registrar's Report** – Sue reports that currently we have 200 registered swimmers – this is ahead of last year's pace.

In 2008 registration will be on-line. Fees will be the same for all LMSC's around the country and will be \$40 with \$25 going to National and \$15 going to the LMSC. Currently the registration fee for IWMSC is \$30 so this will be an increase for us. The good news is that IWMSC will recover an additional \$5 per registration.

Sue will be stepping down from the Registrar position at the end of this year. Paige Buehler has agreed to become the new Registrar.

<sup>\*</sup> Voting member of Board of Managers

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**5. Meets/Sanctions** – Brian led the committee in a discussion of the meet situation. It seems like we are getting less and less turnout at the meets. This is costing IWMSC opportunities to hold meets. Sandpoint did not hold their meet because of low local turnout the last several years and the Spokane Club meet was cancelled this year because of low entries. The Wenatchee meet is the exception; they had a reasonable turnout (approximately 30).

The IWMSC revisited the meet schedule and the Moscow meet may move into the January slot since the Spokane Club is not interested in hosting a meet because of low participation.

Another issue was brought up that the meet organizers need to confirm that meet participants are registered with USMS. This is a liability issue. The meet organizers should contact the Registrar prior to the meet to confirm that entrants are currently registered.

- **6.** Equipment Margaret asked who had the equipment and Brian indicated that he had it all. Brian said that we may be short on timer cards. We discussed that the current trend is to go away from timer cards and have HyTec print out Timer Sheets. The timers then records times on the Timer Sheets, the Timer Sheets are collected, and then the data is entered into HyTec.
- **7. Top Ten/Records** Margaret reports that the preliminary Short Course Meters Top Ten is on line. She will get information to Doug for the next newsletter of IWMSC swimmers making the top ten lists.

Margaret indicates that Marie Glynn is updating records for the web site.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Deck Entries at IWMSC Short Course Yards Championship Meet** – The IWMSC wanted to clean up the motion for Deck Entries. The motion was: "To allow deck entries for the IWMSC Short Course Yards Championship Meet to be held in Pullman on March 31 and April 1, 2007. The fee for the deck entries will be \$20 with the split being \$10 for IWMSC and \$10 to the meet host, WSU Masters." The motion was unanimously approved.

**8.** USMS 1-3 Mile Open Water National Championship (Long Bridge) – Larry reported that so far there are six entries. He will send the checks to Virgil.

The Information Sheet and Entry are on the USMS web site. Larry will send to Doug for inclusion in upcoming newsletters and to put on the IWMSC web site.

Brian will look into the sanction and send Larry the forms that need to be filled out.

Doug suggests Larry contact Brian Lamb directly about coordinating results with HyTec at Long Bridge for the USMS 1-3 Mile Open Water National Championship. Doug will send Larry Brian's contact information.

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**9. Election Year** – The Nominating Committee will be Brian Johnson, Doug Garcia, and Margaret Hair. Susanne is stepping down as Chair; no one is sure of Bernie's status – Susanne will try to contact him to find out his interest; Larry is stepping down as Secretary; and Virgil is interested in continuing as Treasurer. A motion was unanimously approved for the Nominating Committee to present the slate at the Annual Membership Meeting.

Doug will send a postcard to all registered swimmers that elections will be held at the Annual Membership Meeting to be held in conjunction with the IWMSC Short Course Yards Championship Meet in Pullman.

- **10.** Convention: Anaheim, CA, September 2007 It was agreed to table discussion on the USMS Convention until after elections.
- **11. Steve Omi Swim** We had a brief discussion about one event registration for the Steve Omi Swim. A motion was made and then withdrawn.
- **12. Teleconferencing** It was discussed that we should conduct more meetings using teleconferencing since this one went well. A motion was unanimously approved that "the LMSC will bear the teleconferencing costs for these meetings".
- **13. May Meeting** Doug thought that we should have a meeting in May. The time and place will be decided at the Annual Membership Meeting.

Meeting Adjourned