

## **INLAND NW MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEE**

Board of Managers  
Meeting Minutes

*October 18, 2008*

*Present:* Carolyn MaGee - vice chair, Matt Bronson (FAFB), Shirley Schreiber (WVM), Harm-Jan Steenhuis (SWAT), Larry Krauser (SCM), Margaret Hair (LCM, Top-Ten), Paige Buehler – secretary, Lauren Torok (MCM), Cindy Clutter (filling in initially for secretary)

*Next meeting:* TBD

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### **Treasurer Report - Virgil**

Virgil was unable to attend due to a work conflict.

### **Registrar Report – Paige**

242 registered as of 10/14/08

### **Old Business**

Previous Meeting Minutes

MSA to approve minutes from September 7, 2008 meeting

New officers elected by the Board using SurveyMonkey.com online

Carolyn MaGee was elected to Vice Chair and Paige Buehler was elected to serve as Secretary. Terms will expire in March 2009 when members elect new officers at annual general meeting.

Convention Summary – Paige

USMS Convention was held in Atlanta, GA Sept. 24-28, 2008 and Paige served as the Inland NW delegate.

- A. Rule Changes
  1. Club scoring (104.5.6 & .7C): now Regional Clubs scored separately from Local Clubs
  2. Wetsuits for open water swims now have an upper temperature threshold of 78 deg F. (303.6.3)
  3. Wetsuits at open water nat'l championships will continue to be excluded for records & club scoring but there will no longer need to be a separate finish line for those who wish to wear them.
- B. Rob Butcher hired as new USMS Executive Director
  1. Rob has some ambitious goals for USMS growth. He published a vision plan prior to convention to lay these out. The most financially impactful to our group is the idea to increase the USMS portion of our fees by \$2/yr each year from 2010 to 2018 and charging \$20 per workout group.
  2. His vision/action plan and his address to the House of Delegates are both at <http://www.usms.org/admin/conv08/>.
- C. NW Zone info
  1. Jane Moore stepped down as NW Zone Chair and Wes Edwards of Oregon was appointed to replace her.
  2. NW Zone SCY Champs will be in Boise, ID April 4-5, 2009
- D. Other items in attached report

Meet Calendar – Brian Johnson was unable to attend due to illness  
Wenatchee pentathlon meet Sun. Nov 23. Entry form published.  
Tri-Cities still working on getting a pool date from Moses Lake for January.  
Wenatchee planning on full meet for last Sunday in Feb (2/22)  
SCY Champs in Moscow March 28-29, 2009

## **New Business**

Newsletter Editor software – Carolyn  
Proposal to buy MS Publisher to create newsletter. Larry suggested she try downloading and using CutePDF first.

Proposed changes to IWMSC Bylaws – Paige  
Paige published the proposed changes on October 12, 2008 via email.  
Paige read through the numbers of the bylaws with changes and attendees pulled for review any that they had issues with: 3.1, 4.8, 5.1.  
MSA to accept all the unpulled bylaw changes (LT/RH).  
Attached is the revised changes document to be incorporated into the IWMSC Bylaws, sent to USMS National Office and posted to our website.

Proposed changes to IWMSC Standing Rules & Policies – Paige  
Paige published the proposed changes on October 12, 2008 via email.  
Paige read through the numbers of the SR&P with changes and attendees pulled for review any that they had issues with: Title, 2.2, 2.3, 4.2, 4.6.  
MSA to accept all the unpulled bylaw changes (LT/CM).  
Attached is the revised changes document to be incorporated into the IWMSC Standing Rules & Policies, sent to USMS National Office and posted to our website.

The meeting was recessed to allow us to warm up and swim in the Sink or Swim meet!  
Meeting was resumed at approximately 5:00pm

Host Team Reimbursement Form – Paige  
Per the change to the SR&P to change meet entry fees (section 4.2) and to add section 4.3 "Division of Meet Revenues," the reimbursement form will reflect a 60% multiplier for early and deck entries rather than a dollar amount.

Website – Paige  
Doug Garcia completely redid the IWMSC website and it is live.  
MSA to approve a \$100 gift certificate to one of our USMS sponsor swim shops (Kiefer, Kastaway, etc.) to recognize and thank Doug for his hard work. (MH/LK)  
AR: Virgil to buy and send gift certificate

Registration for 2009 update - Paige  
Clubs need to be registered this month and teams, too, so that the system is ready for individuals to start renewing and registering for 2009. Paige will send form to team reps and will need somewhat speedy turnaround. There will be an email to all registered USMS swimmers (probably mid-Nov) to remind them to renew their registration and have a link directly to their registration form online. They will only need to double-check the information and pay by Visa/MC. In IWMSC anyone registering with a Senior (60+) or Couples discount will need to send paper registrations to Paige.

Kudos to Harm-Jan and the SWAT team for hosting the first meet of the season as a fledgling team.

Meeting adjourned at 5:25pm