USMS Convention—Anaheim, California 2007

Committee Name: South Central Zone **Session #:** 1 **Report #:**

Committee Chair: Marcia Marcantonio Vice Chair:

Minutes recorded by: Marcia Marcantonio Date/time of meeting: September 29, 2007 10:30 a.m.

Action Items: Proposed Expenditures

1. None.

Action Items:

- 1. MSA Zone Reps will appoint meet liaisons for all zone meets to work with meet directors before, during and after the meet to ensure all USMS rules are followed and results are sent to zone rep, Top 10 and subsequent zone meet directors.
- 2. MSA Short Course Zone Meet dates will be 3/28 30/08 held at Josh Davis Natatorium, San Antonio.
- 3. MSA Long Course Zone Meet dates will be 7/26 27/08 held at The Woodlands.
- 4. MSA Zone rep will write a letter to those meet directors who have scheduled meet dates that conflict with National and Zone Championship meet dates. (San Antonio and Tulsa)
- 5. MSA to remove conflicting meet dates from calendar until new dates can be set.
- 6. MSA South Central Zone calendar for 2007-08 season.
- 7. MSA Jill Gellatly by acclamation will be new Zone Rep.
- 8. MSA to establish generic medals for zone championship meets, which can be passed on to subsequent zone meet directors in order to keep awards expense low.

Number of committee members present: 11 Absent: 3 Number of other delegates present:

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Marcia Marcantonio, Graham Johnston, Janet Latham, Don Mehl, Michelle Chow, Carolyn Boak, Tom Boak, Kris Wingenroth, Stacey Van Horn, Jill Gellatly, Nancy Crecelius

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 a.m.

- 1. Short Course Zone meet report given by Jill Gellatly deck entries were accepted and received and did bring in some extra income. The meet made a profit of \$4000, which was donated to the Univ. of Houston women's swim program. Tom Boak gave kudos to Jill for showing that Masters can partner with other aquatic organizations for the benefit of both groups.
- 2. Woodlands Nationals Tom Boak reported on the fun and camaraderie among the 911 entrants at the meet far outweighing issues of heat and humidity. The cooperation between the age group and Masters teams led to a successful meet and record profits. The \$49,000 profit is the largest of any Long Course Nationals in the history of USMS; \$32,000 was donated to The Woodlands age group team.
- 3. Border LMSC has added a second club and this was accomplished by Rio Grande swim club taking the USMS display booth and materials to an age group meet in Midland, Texas.
- 4. Gulf LMSC has stable membership numbers with The Woodlands team accounting for half the numbers. The team grew especially after hosting Nationals. The age group coach has become gung ho about Masters and has called for a brainstorming sessions among all the age group and Masters coaches in The Woodlands.
- 5. North Texas Katie McClelland is the new chair. Michelle Chow is the new Top 10 recorder.
- 6. South Texas Graham Johnston and his wife Janis took it upon themselves to purchase and present a trophy to Tex Robertson for his many years of participation in Texas Masters Swimming. Graham and Janis traveled from Houston to Tex's Burnet Hospital room to present the award. Tex passed away less than two weeks later. Graham has long been a proponent of the notion of awards Masters' very senior members. They are a very important source of inspiration to Masters swimmers of all ages.
- 7. Oklahoma has stable membership and holds several meets per year. They are asking for more communication from the rest of the zone.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. Help the new zone rep get all the information she needs to do a great job.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.