

Committee Name: DIXIE ZONE
Minutes recorded by: LISA WATSON

Session#1
September 18 10:30 AM

ACTION ITEMS-FINANCIAL EXPENDITURES

1. **MSA to purchase a Hy-Tek license for the Dixie Zone in order to be able to provide Hy-Tek software to any clubs who currently do not have access.**

ACTION ITEMS - OTHER

1. **MSA to nominate Jerry Clark as director from the Dixie Zone.**
2. **MSA to elect Debbie Cavanaugh as Dixie Zone Chair and Stu Marvin as Vice Chair.**
3. **MSA to award Dixie Zone Championships to the following venues for 2006: Clearwater, Florida for SCY, and Charlotte, NC for LC.**
4. **MSA to have a consolidated Dixie Zone SCM Championship for 2006, comprised of a compilation of all Dixie Zone SCM meets between September 1 and December 31.**
5. **MSA to express to the Editorial Board the desire of the Dixie Zone to continue to include Championship entry forms, postal entry forms, All American and All Stars... in the USMS SWIMMER magazine.**

Committee Chair: ROB COPELAND

Number of committee members present: 24

Committee members present: Lisa Watson, Scott Rabalais, Viki Tracy, Ashley Whitney, Karol Welling, George Simon, Victor Buehler, Sue Moucha, Margie Hutinger, Joan Campbell, Danielle Newton, Cav Cavanaugh, Carl House, Anne LaBorwit, Mary Hendrick, Ed Saltzman, Jerry Clark, Debbie Cavanaugh, June Krauser, Randy Nutt, Stu Marvin, Sean Fitzgerald, Rhea Wilkins, Rob Copeland

MINUTES

1. ZONE SPECIFIC TASKS

a. FINANCES-

Rob reports that we have \$1300 available to the Dixie Zone from USMS, which includes \$800 for newsletters. There is also \$1531.77 in our Dixie Zone reserve account.

b. NEWSLETTERS-

No newsletters have been sent out. It is hoped that this will change next year.

c. TOP TEN-

There are currently no Dixie Zone Top Ten times being compiled, due to the lack of a volunteer to compile them.

d. RECORDS-

A motion was made to reset the criteria for Dixie Zone records to duplicate requirements for Top Ten, in which only 2 watches are required in the absence of electronic timing. **MS-MOTION FAILED.** Opponents of this motion stressed the importance of having the same standards for Dixie Zone records as those for National and World records.

e. ZONE MEETS-

The 2005 SCY Zone Championship was held in Ft Lauderdale. Meet director Stu Marvin reported a nice turnout for that meet. The 2005 LC Championship was held in Charlotte, NC. Meet Director Jerry Clark reported a turnout of 103 swimmers. The 2005 SCM Zone Championship is scheduled for Dec 2-4 in New Orleans. It was reported that due to the devastation from Hurricane Katrina, the meet hosts are currently trying to find another venue for the meet.

f. TOP TEN PATCHES-

Ed Saltzman has been in charge of selling Dixie Zone Top Ten patches. He reported that since Dixie Zone Top Ten standings were discontinued last year, the sale of the Top Ten patches has understandably decreased. 13 patches were sold in the last year. There are still about 25 patches available for sale.

g. ZONE POLICIES-

Rob reported that our current Dixie Zone policies are very outdated and need to be rewritten. The committee agreed to discuss this further during the next year.

2. ZONE DIRECTOR NOMINATION

Lisa Watson nominated Jerry Clark as Dixie Zone director. The motion was seconded by George Simon. This nomination was approved by acclamation.

ACTION ITEM- MSA to nominate Jerry Clark as director from the Dixie Zone.

3. ZONE REPRESENTATIVE ELECTION-

ACTION ITEM- MSA to elect Debbie Cavanaugh as Dixie Zone Chair and Stu Marvin as Vice Chair.

4. ZONE ACTIVITIES FOR 2005-2006

a. Championship Meet Bids

ACTION ITEM- MSA to award Dixie Zone Championships to the following venues for 2006: Clearwater, Florida for SCY and Charlotte, NC for LC. Dates will be Feb 11&12 for SCY and July 15&16 for LC.

ACTION ITEM-MSA to have a consolidated Dixie Zone SCM Championship for 2006, comprised of a compilation of all Dixie Zone SCM meets between September 1 and December 31. Ed Saltzman volunteered to compiled these results. It was decided to set a January 15, 2007 deadline for submission of results to Ed.

b. 2005-2006 CALENDAR

October 05

9	St Petersburg, Fla	SCM	
29	Hillsborough, NC	SCM	

November 05

19&20	Coral Springs, Fl	SCM	
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December 05

2-4	New Orleans, LA	SCM*	*DZ Championship-to be rescheduled
10&11	Marietta, Ga	SCM	St Nicholas Inv

2006

January

28&29	Charlotte, NC	SCY	
28	Ft Lauderdale	SCY	Senior Games

February

11&12	Clearwater, Fl	SCY	Dixie Zone Championships
11&12	Charleston, SC	SCY	
11 &12	Auburn, AL	SCY	(tentative date)
17-19	Nashville , TN	SCY	
24-26	Ft Lauderdale, Fl	SCY	

March

11&12	Atlanta, Georgia	SCY	St Patrick's Day Inv
26	Clearwater, Fl	LC	Good Life Games

April

7-9	St Petersburg,Fl	SCY	
29&30	Raleigh, NC	SCY	
29&30	Savannah, Ga	SCY	tentative date

May

11-14	Coral Springs, Fl	SCY	USMS NATIONALS
18-21	Ft Lauderdale, Fl	SCY	Y NATIONALS
June			
3	Athens, Ga	LC	
10	Ft Lauderdale, Fl	LC	
June (cont'd)			
Late	Greenville, SC	LC	
TBA	Sarasota, Fl	LC	T-shirt meet
July			
8	Ft Lauderdale, Fl	LC	
15&16	Charlotte, NC	LC	Dixie Zone Championships
August			
4-10	FINA WORLD GAMES-Stanford, CA		
September			
23	Peachtree City, Ga	SCY	
30	Clearwater, Fl	LC	
October-			
?	Orlando, Fl	SCM	
TBA	Hillsborough, NC	SCM	
TBA	St Petersburg, Fl	SCM	
November			
18&19	Coral Springs, Fl	SCM	
December			
9&10	Marietta, Ga	SCM	St Nicholas Inv

5. COACHES MENTOR CLINIC-

Committee members were reminded that the Coaches Committee will allocate \$500 to requesting clubs to bring in a qualified coach to conduct a swim clinic. The clinic will have a section for coaches and another section for swimmers. Video analysis will be provided.

6. FUTURE DIRECTION OF ZONES-

. This will be a topic for future discussion, as USMS questions whether or not zones serve a useful purpose. Consensus was that our Dixie Zone is definitely serving a useful purpose.

7. Discussion of "Hot" Convention Topics

ACTION ITEM-MSA to express to the Editorial Board the desire of the Dixie Zone to continue to include Championship entry forms, postal entry forms, All American and All Stars, etc... in the USMS SWIMMER magazine. This committee feels very strongly that these are all essential components of the magazine and should continue to be provided as a service to the membership.

8. NEW BUSINESS

Ed Saltzman proposed that the Dixie Zone use available funds to purchase a Hy-Tek license for the zone, so that all Dixie Zone clubs will have the means of putting results in the same format.

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9. ADJOURNMENT- The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM.