

**USMS CONVENTION - DEARBORN, MICHIGAN
2006**

Committee Name: Dixie Zone

Session: #1

Minutes Recorded by: Lisa Watson

Date/Time of Meeting: 9/16 10:30 AM

PROPOSED EXPENDITURES:

None at this time

ACTION ITEMS:

1. MSA to create a position of Dixie Zone Newsletter Editor.
2. MSA to elect Barb Protzman as the Dixie Zone Newsletter Editor.
3. MSA to change our Dixie Zone policy to reflect that the distribution of the Dixie Zone newsletter will only be done electronically.
4. MSA to award the 2007 Dixie Zone Championships to the following venues:
Auburn, Alabama on Feb 17&18 for SCY, and Cleveland, Mississippi on Nov 30-
Dec 2 for SCM. LC Championships will be held as a Virtual Championship,
combining the results of all the Dixie Zone meets.

Committee Chair: Debbie Cavanaugh

Vice Chair: Stu Marvin

Number of members present: 25

Committee members present: Debbie Cavanaugh, Barb Protzman, Margie Hutinger, Sue Moucha, Elizabeth Novak, George Simon, Marty Hendrick, Jeff Stafford, June Krauser, Randy Nutt, Mary Lee Watson, Jean Fox, Ed Saltzman, Karol Welling, Joannie Campbell, Stu Marvin, Vicki Buccino, Sean Fitzgerald, Bill Cleveland, Ed Nessel, Tom Bliss, Meegan Wilson, Jerry Clark, Rhea Wilkins, Lisa Watson

The meeting was called to order at: 10:30 AM

1. Financial Report. Debbie reports that our current balance is \$1207.12. Expenses included sending out four Dixie Zone newsletters to approximately 100 people each time.
2. Dixie Zone Newsletter. Debbie reported that this was a very time consuming job and questioned if it was necessary to continue sending it out. The committee felt that it was necessary to have a Dixie Zone newsletter. Stu Marvin made a motion that we create a position of Dixie Zone Newsletter Editor, which should be someone other than the Dixie Zone Chair. Lisa Watson seconded the motion. **MSA TO CREATE A NEW POSITION OF DIXIE ZONE NEWSLETTER EDITOR.** Lisa Watson nominated Barb Protzman for this position, seconded by June Krauser. **MSA TO ELECT BARB PROTZMAN AS DIXIE ZONE NEWSLETTER EDITOR.** The committee discussed the method of distribution for the newsletter. Karol Welling made a motion that we change our current Dixie Zone policy to include wording that states that the newsletter will only be distributed electronically. The new wording would state: "A Dixie Zone newsletter shall be published electronically to Dixie Zone clubs, convention

delegates, and Dixie Zone LMSC Chairmen and newsletter editors, as well as the National Office, USMS President, Zone Chairman, and Zone representatives.”
MSA TO CHANGE OUR DIXIE ZONE POLICY TO REFLECT THAT THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE DIXIE ZONE NEWSLETTER WILL ONLY BE DONE ELECTRONICALLY.

3. Dixie Zone Top 10. We currently do not have Dixie Zone Top 10 Records at this time. Andy Dyer from South Carolina has volunteered for this position. Ed Saltzman will work with Andy to make sure he has the proper guidelines in which the meet results should be submitted. Barb Protzman will put a list of guidelines in the next Dixie Zone newsletter to assist meet directors in submitting their results to Andy in the proper format and manner.
4. Dixie Zone Records. Ed Saltzman reported that he is currently updating the Dixie Zone records.
5. 2005/2006 Dixie Zone Championships. Clearwater, Florida was the venue for the 2006 Dixie Zone SCY Championships. Joanie Campbell reported that the meet ran very well, with a meet attendance of 250 swimmers. Debbie Cavanaugh reported that, unfortunately, the LC Championships, scheduled to be held in Raleigh, NC, were cancelled to lack of entries. Bill Cleveland also reported that the 2005 Dixie Zone SCM Championships, originally scheduled for New Orleans, had a change of venue due to the damage from Hurricane Katrina. The meet was relocated to Cleveland, Mississippi, and was attended by 30 swimmers.
6. Dixie Zone patches. Ed Saltzman reported that there has been no need to order Top 10 patches since we have not been doing Dixie Zone Top 10 records. However, one person did order 30 patches, which leaves us with a supply of about 20 patches. Ed will order more patches, since we are reinstating Dixie Zone Top 10.
7. 2007 Dixie Zone Championships. The following venues made bids for the 2007 Dixie Zone Championships: Auburn, Alabama for SCY; Cleveland, Mississippi for SCM. There was no bid for LC, so the committee decided to do a Virtual Championship for LC. Karol Welling made a motion to approve these bids, and Ed Saltzman seconded the motion. **MSA TO AWARD THE 2007 DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS TO THE FOLLOWING VENUES: AUBURN, ALABAMA ON FEBRUARY 17&18 FOR SCY; AND CLEVELAND, MISSISSIPPI ON NOVEMBER 30-DECEMBER 2 FOR SCM. LC CHAMPIONSHIPS WILL BE HELD AS A VIRTUAL CHAMPIONSHIP, COMBINING THE RESULTS OF ALL DIXIE ZONE EVENTS.**
8. Dixie Zone Calendar.

2006-

October-

14&15	St Petersburg, Fl	SCM
21&22	Baton Rouge, La	SCM

November-

5	Lawrenceville, Ga	SCY (Developmental Meet)
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December-

1-3	Cleveland, Ms	SCM
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2-3	Coral Springs, Fl	SCM
2-3	Florida State Senior Games	
9&10	St Nicholas Inv-Marietta, Ga	SCM
9&10	Charlotte, NC	SCY
2007-		
January-		
27&28	Charlotte, NC	SCY
February-		
17&18	Auburn, Al	DIXIE ZONE SCY CHAMPIONSHIP
March-		
10&11	Clearwater, Fl	SCY
17&18	St Patrick's Day Inv- Atlanta, Ga	SCY
24&25	Baton Rouge, La	SCY
April-		
21&22	Franklin, Tn	SCY
21&22	Raleigh, NC	SCY
28&29*	Marist Inv- Atlanta, Ga	SCY (*-tentative date)
May-		
No Dixie events scheduled as yet.		
June-		
2	Athens, Ga	LC
July-		
No Dixie events scheduled as yet.		
August-		
No Dixie events scheduled as yet.		
September-		
22	Peachtree City, Ga	SCY Pentathlon
Oct-		
No Dixie events scheduled as yet.		
Nov-		
No Dixie events scheduled as yet.		
December-		
N30-D2	Cleveland, Ms	DIXIE ZONE SCM CHAMPS
8&9	Marietta, Ga	SCM

9. Hot Convention Topics-
 - The Florida Mavericks are sponsoring the 2007 1 Hour Postal Championship, and encourage everyone to participate
 - Drafting restrictions have been dropped for open water swims
 - Ed Nessel and Tom Bliss offer stroke clinics and encourage the LMSCs to promote these among their members.
10. New Business
 - Debbie reminded the LMSCs that they need to have their By-Laws and

LMSC Grievance Policy on file with the National Office
-- Ed Saltzman encouraged the committee members to promote the SCM
Virtual Championships among their respective LMSCs.

The meeting was adjourned at: 11:45 AM