

Long Distance Committee Meeting Notes

Date: Sunday, December 11th, 2011, 7:30 PM EDT

Attendance:

Present: Donn Livoni (chair), John Traynor (vice-chair), Heather Hagadorn, Lynn Hazlewood (OW-Ex-O), Bruce Hopson, Bob Bruce, Jennie Quill, Dick Sidner, Tom Spence, Karen Reeder, Susan Kirk, Jill Wright, Ali Hall, Greta Van Meeteren, Dave Diehl (EC-Ex-0), Robert Zeitner, Phyllis Quinn,

Absent: Susan Ehringer, Ann Svenson

Agenda:

1. OW National Championship

The committee received a bid from the Minnetonka 10-miler in Minnesota which for review.

MOTION: Award the 2012 >9 mile OWNC to the Minnetonka 10-miler.

Motion passed unanimously.

The lead liaison for this event will be Ali, and the back-up Robert.

2. Postal Manual

The Postal Manual was sent to all committee members and reviewed/revised.

MOTION: The Long Distance Committee shall approve the revised Postal Manual for submission.

Motion passed unanimously.

3. Club Awards for Postal Events. The committee discussed if awards should continue to be given and if so, what kind. The postal subcommittee will develop language for the rule book on this topic.

4. 2011 Events – liaison reports

a. 5K/10K - Jill. Results are posted. The financial report has been sent out, an evaluation still need to be done. Individual Relay Awards were sent to Club Representatives without labels/results making distribution difficult. The host is working on a solution to this problem.

b. 3000/6000 – Bruce. There was a small problem the results due to improper excel formatting, which has been fixed. Results have not yet been posted.

5. 2012 Events

a. One Hour Postal: Final testing is occurring for the online entry which will go live on January 1st.

b. 2012 contracts. On schedule. The 1 Mile Hickory Nut George Open water swim will investigate other options with the word “Olympiad”.

6. Working Groups

- a.** Rules – Bob lead, Heather, Lynn, Bruce. Bob will build a timeline for working on this year’s rules changes for the committee.
- b.** All-Stars/Awards – Jennie, lead, Robert, Tom, Greta, Ali. Jennie is waiting for postal results to complete their work.
- c.** Records – Jill, lead, Donn. They are up to date except for the 3/6 postal.
- d.** Club Assistant--Susan, lead, Heather. Susan reported that Club Assistant has a new certificate program which can be used for the postal events.
- e.** Safety – Karen, lead, Phyllis, Bob, Dick, John. Karen plans another teleconference call this spring with all OW Event Directors and liaisons.
- f.** Manuals – Ann, lead, Greta, Karen, Bob
- g.** NC Selection – Susan, Ann, Tom, Ali. 2013 is complete, next bid cycle is 2014.
- h.** Officials – John, lead, Phyllis, Dick
- i.** General Oversight – Donn, John, Ann, Susan, Heather, Bob

7. Strategic Plan and LDC Goals – Heather developed a strategic Plan and Long Distance Committee Goals which was distributed to the committee for review.

MOTION: Approve the Strategic Plan and LDC Goals for submission.

Motion passed unanimously.

8. 2012 OWNC Events and Liaisons

- a.** 3-6 Mile Open Water: Team NASTI, Noblesville, IN (5K)
Liaison: Tom Spence backup, Robert Zeitner,
- b.** 2 Mile Cable Swim: COMA, Sweet Home, OR
Liaison: Donn Livoni, backup Jill Wright
- c.** 6+ Mile Open Water: Rogue Valley Masters, Jacksonville, OR (10K)
Liaison: Jill Wright, backup Ali Hall
- d.** 1 Mile Open Water: Hickory Nut Gorge, Lake Lure, NC
Liaison: Heather Hagadorn backup, Phyllis Quinn,
- e.** 1-3 Mile Open Water: Garden State Masters, Lake Hopatcong, NJ (2 mile)
Liaison: Susan Kirk, backup Ann Svenson

f. > 9 Mile Open Water: Genesis Aquatics/Hopkins Masters, Lake Minnetonka, MN Liaison: Ali Hall, backup Robert Zeitner,

9. Miles Reimbursement. This has changed from \$.14/mile to the IRS rate of \$.51/mile. Since Heather budgeted airfare for the liaisons, someone driving instead should still be within budget.

10. Other Business.

a. Kyle Derry at headquarters will continue to be the point of contact for Open Water liaisons and event hosts.

b. Lynn Hazelwood questioned whether pools should be certified for Postal National Championship records. Bob will include this topic in the rules discussion.

11. Next Call. Sunday, Jan. 15, 2012 at 7:30 PM EDT.