Committee Name: Long Distance Session #: 1 Report #: 1

Committee Chair: Ali Hall Vice Chair: Phyllis Quinn

Minutes recorded by: Lorena Sims Date/time of meeting: 05/27/18

## Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. Proposals 301.3 and reorganization of section 303 referred to HOD as written.

## **Motions Passed:**

- 1. Approval of 04/29/18 Minutes Motion: Phyllis Quinn. Second: David Brancamp. Motion carried without opposition.
- 2. Motion to Approve Rules Proposal 301.3 Motion: Robin Smith. Second: Alana Aubin. Motion carried without opposition.
- 3. Motion to Approve Rule Reorganization of Section 303 Motion: Alana Aubin. Second: Jim Davidson. Motion carried without opposition.
- 4. Motion to Approve Event Host FAQs as Amended Motion: Alana Aubin. Second: Matt Miller. Motion carried without opposition.

Number of committee members present:12 Absent: 3 Number of other delegates present: 0

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Ali Hall (Chair), Phyllis Quinn (Vice Chair), Donn Livoni (Vice President), Lorena Sims, Robin Smith, David Brancamp, Matt Miller, Sarah King, Laurie Hug, Stephen Rouch, Alana Aubin, Josie Palmerin. Ex-Officio Members Present: Bob Bruce, Casey Keiber. Absent: Jay Eckert, Bill Brenner, Catherine Rust, David Miner, Bob Singer, Jim Davidson, and Jill Wright. Others: None.

The meeting was called to order at 08:02pm ET:

- 1. Welcome and roll call.
- 2. Approval of 04/29/18 meeting minutes Motion: Phyllis Quinn. Second: David Brancamp. Motion carried without opposition.
- 3. Reports from the chair (Ali) and vice chair (Phyllis) and vice president (Donn)

**Chair:** Note that there are some lags or drops to receiving an email notification when an item is posted in the forum. This is a known issue that USMS is working on. Please take note and make an effort to check the forum prior to each meeting time to verify if there is anything of note.

**Vice Chair:** Nothing to report.

**Vice President:** Please remember that June 10<sup>th</sup> is the cutoff for receiving rules proposals from other committees, so please keep to forum posts. Membership has gone down about 5% this year, but we have an outstanding and larger than expected group of college club swimmers this year. Last board meeting discussed recommendations from the convention task force and this next meeting will discuss recommendations from the volunteer task force. Remember convention is in Jacksonville this year, September 26-30. If you have any concerns or questions to be brought to the board, please refer them to Donn before the next meeting.

- 4. Working groups reports (please send your report to all in advance)
  - a. 2018 Rules/Legislation Bob B. lead; Donn, Lorena, Bob S., Robin, Matt, Stephen. All will be involved during the spring.

**PULLS:** 301.3 – Motion to Approve: Robin Smith. Second: Alana Aubin. Discussion: None. Motion carried without opposition.

303 Reorganization – Motion to Approve: Alana Aubin. Second: Jim Davidson.

Discussion: None. Motion carried without opposition.

303.7.2D & 303.7.3C – Motion to Approve: Phyllis Quinn. Second: Donn Livoni. Discussion: The purpose of the heart rate monitor is to keep one's pace solid and could be used as a race aid. Motion failed.

**ISSUES:** 303.7.2C – Discussed moving the exemptions to the purview of the Open Water Committee as their event oversight is greater than that of the Long Distance Committee. This will be an upcoming rules discussion in June.

- b. PARA Jim, lead: Patches & Awards Dave; All-Americans (AA) Men Lorena, Josie, Alana; (AA) Women Josie, Dave, Sarah; (AA) Relays Phyllis, Sarah, Dave; Records Jill, Jim, Dave, All-Stars Laurie, Jim, Alana; Postal Series Jim, Sarah, Alana Results for the 1-Hour ePostal have been finalized.
- c. Club Assistant Lorena and Stephen Nothing to report.
- d. Safety (as needed) David M., lead; Bob B., Jim, Josie No report received.
- e. Documents Matt, lead; & \_\_\_\_ (ePostal Guide Matt, Bob B., Jill & \_\_\_). (OW Champs Guide Matt, \_\_\_ & \_\_\_).

  Nothing to report.
- f. 2020 NC Recruitment/Selection Jill, lead; Josie, Robin, Matt, Stephen.

A few bids have been received for both postal and OW. We will now begin soliciting more bids. I have received from David Miner previous years sanctioned swims. This will be our project for June.

- g. Communications Laurie, lead; Matt Nothing to report.
- h. NC Oversight Ali, lead; Phyllis, Bob B., Matt, David M.

Thank you, Alana, for your excellent analysis of the recent 5k/10k ePostal NC entry curves. If anyone wants to add the event completion window consideration to our agenda, please let me know. We can address at the May or (preferably) June meeting.

i. Goals – Phyllis, lead; Lorena, Robin, Bob S., Matt, Catherine.

I have included the FAQ's for National Championships. I would like the committee to review and approve so we can post them and hopefully generate bids for the 2020 season. Discussion: Please clarify that the \$5/swimmer is the sanction fee and then the \$3/swimmer is the responsibility of the host team. Motion to Approve FAQs as Amended: Alana Aubin. Second:

Matt Miller. These are to be emailed to Casey with where they belong in the bid request section so that they can be included. .PDF format is fine.

## 2018 LD NC Event Liaison Reports:

- USMS Middle Distance OWNC
- Jim McConnell Lake Swim, Reston VA (2 miles) May 27

o Liaison: Josie Backup: Alana

This event began well for both the one mile and the two mile championship event. Unfortunately, the event has ended with a missing swimmer who is still missing at this time. Every effort was made by safety crew but at this time, event director, safety director, and referee have referred to local police and search and rescue. No updates at this time. Donn Livoni to contact Dawson and Patty.

- USMS Sprint Distance OWNC
- Eclipse Cross Roads, Makanda, IL (1 mile)

  June 9

o Liaison: Donn Backup: Catherine

As of 5/22/18 53 swimmers are entered in the event. Registration closes on 5/26/18. Timelines are up to date.

- USMS Long Distance OWNC
- Fire Island Charity Swim, Fire Island, NY (5k)

  July 7

o Liaison: Laurie Back Up: Bob S.

Awards have been ordered and there are 70 entries as of 5/26.

- USMS Ultra-Marathon Distance OWNC
- Portland Bridges, Portland, OR (10.7 miles)

  July 8

o Liaison: Ali Back Up: Matt

All timeline items in order.

- USMS 2-mile Cable OWNC
- Foster Lake Cable Swim, Sweet Home, OR (2 miles) July 12

o Liaison: Phyllis Back Up: Robin

There are 73 entries at this time. All items are on timeline.

- USMS Marathon Distance OWNC
- Applegate Lake, Jacksonville, OR (10k)

  July 14

o Liaison: Jill Back Up: Dave B.

Now have 55 swimmers entered in the national championship. All permits have been acquired. Timeline is current.

• OHeP: Indy Aquatic Masters

o Liaisons: Lorena, Jill Back Up: Sarah

2018 OHeP has had a few snags. They are behind in returning unused awards and paying for them, paying their surcharge, and completing their financial report. They asked for a continuance on completing their financial report because of hosting the SCY Nat'l Champ meet on May 10-13. They also have contacted me about how to get paid by CA. They have as yet received no funds from CA. This is the big hangup. Hopefully all items will be completed soon.

• 5,000M/10,000M ePostal: Chicago Smelts

o Liaison: Jim Back Up: Bob S.

The website is active and the CA tutorial has been conducted. One participant so far.

• 3,000/6,000 ePostal: MEMO (Oakland, CA)

o Liaison: Lorena Back Up: Stephen

Have been in contact with hosts; everything proceeding approximately according to schedule. They are finalizing event artwork at present and next will be working on their draft entry.

Other business for the good of the order: Special thanks to David Brancamp who has been working extra hard mailing out awards and has done a great job doing so.

Next Call – June 24, 2018 with times of 8 PM ET, 7 PM CT, 6 PM MT, 5 PM PT