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: 07/25/2021 at 8pm ET

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

Motions Passed:
1. Motion to approve minutes from June – passed without opposition.
2. Motion to correct 303.12.1 – passed without opposition.

Number of committee members present: 15  
Absent: 1  
Number of other delegates present: 2

Committee members present: Ali Hall, Catherine Rust, Jill Wright, Dave Brancamp, Chuck Beatty, Robin Smith, Jim Davidson, Phyllis Quinn, Bob Bruce, Sarah King, Tim Murphy, Stephen Rouch, Lorena Sims, Jenny Hodges, Bob Singer. Absent: Alana Aubin

Ex-Officio members present: Donn Livoni, David Miner

Topic: LDC Meeting July 25 2021
The meeting was called to order at 8:00 pm ET:

1. Welcome and roll call
2. Approval of any outstanding meeting minutes - Motion: Phyllis Quinn. Second: Jim Davidson. Motion carried without opposition.
3. Reports from the chair (Ali) and vice chair (Phyllis), vice president (Donn), and national office (Jay).
   - Donn – Please remember that the LDC report is due by the end of the month. Review the annual convention packet, which is your guide to making all the meetings and ensuring that all information is recorded accordingly.
   - Phyllis – Nothing to report.
   - Ali – The latest version of the annual meeting schedule has been circulated. Please add it to your calendars and register through Sched if you intend to participate in any meeting, including our own committee meetings.
   - Jay – OWNCs: caps have been reordered so they can be sent to the rescheduled events along with other partner product support. ePostals: CA has created a draft page for 3000/6000 entries. I’ll connect with Chuck and the host next week to confirm a few details so entries can be launched in the next few weeks.
4. Working group reports.
      - We have one small edit, to correct an internal rules reference, that we’d like to get a vote on. Attached are the current working copy and score sheet, plus the Proposed Amendments document that we’ll send to Jessica. (I added page numbers, and this last housekeeping proposal which I will need to mark “Recommended” assuming the committee votes in favor.)
      - 303.12.1 – Motion to make housekeeping change to correct reference: Bob B. Second: Robin. Motion carried without opposition.
b. PARA – Jim and Sarah; Patches & Awards – Dave; All-Americans (AA) – Men – Lorena, Chuck; (AA) Women – Jenny, Tim; (AA) Relays – Phyllis, Dave; Records – Jill, Tim, All-Stars – Lorena, Alana; Postal Series – Alana, Lorena; ePostal Series Recognition: Catherine, Jenny
  - Waiting on relay deadline for cable swim and then the event results will be finalized and everything will subsequently be sent to the appropriate people when that happens.
  - 2021 USMS 2-Mile Cable Open Water National Championship results have been posted on the USMS website. Individual Results are finalized. Preliminary Relay results are posted with a correction/revision date of July 26th. Once Relay results are finalized, the PARA subcommittee members will receive the Individual and Relay Results for end of the year All-American and All Star Results. Records will also be sent in with the finalized relay results. The link to the USMS 2-Mile Cable Open Water National Championship can be found here: https://www.usms.org/events/national-championships/open-water-national-championships/2021-open-water-national-championships

c. Club Assistant – Robin & Steve;
  - No Update. Will check-in with Club Assistant after completion of registration programming for upcoming 3000/6000 ePostal NC.

d. Safety (as needed) – David M., lead;
  - Have sanctioned 27 races so far this year and several are new.

e. 2023 NC Recruitment/Selection – Jill, lead; Robin, Steve, Catherine & Jenny;
  - Jill, lead; Robin, Steve, Catherine; Jenny
  - We have yet to receive any bids. Hopefully they will come in soon. Some of us have reached out to those hosts from 2020 and 2021 who were not able to host in the hopes that they'll rebid for 2023.
  - 2022 Ultra - I have been in contact with Joel Wilson in Santa Cruz. He will get back to me this week.
  - Discussion of potential future hosts for 2023 and assignment of committee members to reach out.

f. NC Oversight - Ali, lead; Phyllis, Jim, Bob S, David M
  - Nothing to report.

g. Nose to Tail LD NC Working Group: Sarah and Chuck (leads), Alana, Jim, Bob S, Dave, Catherine, Jill, Bob B, Ali
  - Nothing to report at this time.

h. Goals – Alana, lead; Lorena, Robin, Bob S, Catherine, Tim, Chuck and Bob B;
  - Nothing to report.

i. LDNC Award – Jill, lead; Lorena, Dave, Jenny, Ali;
  - Recipient has been decided on. Dave and I will work on verbage for announcement.

j. 2021 Video Clinic Working Group—Catherine, Steve, Chuck and Ali
  - Lake Erie warmed up and Chuck was able to film the ow drills to include in the video. This was the final part and video/powerpoint will be ready for presentation at the LDC meeting in August.

5. Open Water Committee—Phyllis, Ali, Tim, Bob B.
  - Open water service award. We are working with Jill’s award committee on this. We had two strong nominations. I will be working with the National office on how to present this award during the virtual meeting.
  - The open water will have a very short meeting during the pre-convention meetings, basically to approve the minutes of the last meeting.
  - I will be helping with the LDC meeting during convention. But I expect if we get any
6. Good of the order
   o Next meeting: August 29th at 8pm ET, open to all convention delegates.

2021 Long Distance National Championships:

- **Sprint – Masters of South Texas, September 18th**
  - Catherine/Tim
  - Events opened for registration on 7/2/20. Currently 52 entrants. Most entrants are located in Texas. NO is planning on promoting the event. I believe this will help in generating registrations. Due to COVID, many of the OWNC have either been cancelled or postponed and many swimmers could be unaware the registration is open for the events.

- **Cable Swim – Foster Lake, June 26th**
  - Ali/Jenny
  - Event is complete.
  - Results have been finalized and posted. The link to event results on the USMS national website can be found here: [https://www.usms.org/events/national-championships/open-water-national-championships/2021-open-water-national-championships](https://www.usms.org/events/national-championships/open-water-national-championships/2021-open-water-national-championships)

- **Middle Distance – Del Valle, September 11th**
  - Robin/Phyllis
  - Tri Valley Masters in Livermore, CA will host the event on Sept. 11, 2021.
  - Thanks to Bill McCracken for moving quickly and getting all the paperwork in to offer USMS another event for the OWNC platform. He has 88 participants registered to date and will close at 300. Please share the news so we can support Bill and his team with a full race.

- **Marathon – Applegate Lake 10k, July 17th or 18th**
  - Jill/Bob B.
  - Event cancelled.

- **Ultra-Marathon – 10 mile New England Masters, July 24th**
  - Steve/Dave
  - Event sanction pulled.

- **OHeP – Oregon Masters**
  - Sarah/Robin
  - Nothing to report. Event complete.

- **5/10k – Kentucky Masters**
  - Jim/Jenny
  - 20 entries so far – 4 10K and 16 5K.

- **3/6k – Loveland Masters**
  - Chuck/Bob S.
  - NO is working with Club Assistant to develop a new registration format for ePostals that will allow swimmers to register before they swim and fill in the time/distance after.