

USMS CONVENTION – DALLAS, TEXAS - 2002

Committee Name: Northwest Zone

ACTION ITEMS

1. Invalidate the actions taken at the August 2002 zone meeting because only one LMSC voted.
2. Suspend current zone policy, for this year only, to allow reimbursement of convention expenses for four delegates.
3. Reimburse convention expenses from Joanne Wainwright from Alaska, Ann Gilbert from Montana, Susanne Simpson from Inland Northwest, and Jill Wright from Snake River per the details of the Zone reimbursement policy.
4. Hood River was selected to host the 2003 SCY Championship.
5. Deviate from zone policy and allow bids to be open to all areas for 2003 LCM Championship; selection will be done in December at the SCM Zone Championships.
6. Change zone policy: Individual Events: The meet host of each Northwest Zone Championship meet must offer a minimum of six events per swimmer and may offer a maximum of up to ten events per swimmer at the discretion of the meet director. A swimmer shall be allowed to enter a maximum of ten individual events at any Northwest Zone Championship meet.
7. Zone surcharge fee will be in effect for the 2002 SCM Zone Championship meet.
8. Unanimously recommend that the current zone chair resign immediately due to his expressed inability to complete his term. The vacancy would then be filled based on procedure in the USMS Rule Book.
9. Recommend Doug Garcia to Lynn Hazelwood as the choice of the six LMSCs present to be the replacement zone representative.

Acting Committee Chair: Jeanne Ensign

Number of committee members present: 24 Absent: 1 Total delegates attending this meeting: 26

Committee Members present: Jane Moore, Jeanne Ensign, Jan Kavadas, Doug Garcia, Ginger Pierson, Susanne Simpson, Ann Gilbert, Bill Volckening, Bob Bruce, Walt Reid, Dan Gray, Joanne Wainwright, Jill Wright, Suzanne Rague, Jani Sutherland, Jody Welborn, Pam Himstreet, Sally Dillon, Sandi Rousseau, Jeanne Teisher, Hugh Moore, Lee Carlson, Steve Peterson, Arni Litt, Kelly Crandell, Kathy Casey

MINUTES

Time Meeting Called to Order: 12:05 PM

1. Delegates present introduced themselves.
2. MSA - Minutes of the August 2002 zone meeting. There were concerns expressed that will be discussed later in the meeting.
MSA – To invalidate the actions taken at the August 2002 zone meeting because only one LMSC (Utah) was represented and voted. Current policy does not define quorum, but states that each LMSC has one vote regarding all zone business, need not be in attendance to vote, and shall be contacted by the Zone Rep for their vote on the issues. No other LMSC was given an opportunity to vote on the action items.
3. Reports
 - a. Zone Representative report has been distributed by email. This was not discussed.
 - b. MSA – Financial report from Zone Treasurer. Current balance is \$2080.
 - 1) MSA – To suspend current zone policy, for this year only, to allow reimbursement of convention expenses for four delegates.
 - 2) MSA - Reimburse convention expenses from Joanne Wainwright from Alaska, Ann Gilbert from Montana, Susanne Simpson from Inland Northwest, and Jill Wright from Snake River per the details of the Zone reimbursement policy.

4. Unfinished Business/Scheduled Business
 - a. Current list of LMSC board members was distributed to update contact information.
 - b. 2003 NW Zone Championships
 - 1) Selection of host for the 2003 SCY Championship: bids received from Inland Northwest to be held in Pullman, WA April 26 & 27 and Oregon to be held in Hood River, OR April 26 & 27. Hood River was selected to host the 2003 SCY Championship.
 - 2) Scheduling of the 2003 LCM Championship (Oregon): Oregon has difficulty hosting a long course zone championship in 2003. MSA - To deviate from zone policy and allow bids to be open to all areas for 2003 LCM Championship; selection will be done in December at the SCM Zone Championships. Wenatchee was suggested as a possible site.
 - 3) Scheduling of the 2003 SCM Championship (PNA) – to be determined.
 - c. Revision of zone policy regarding the event limit at zone championships meets. Current policy allows six events. MSA – To change zone policy: Individual Events: The meet host of each Northwest Zone Championship meet must offer a minimum of six events per swimmer and may offer a maximum of up to ten events per swimmer at the discretion of the meet director. A swimmer shall be allowed to enter a maximum of ten individual events at any Northwest Zone Championship meet.
 - d. MSA – to not approve waiving the zone surcharge fee for 2002 SCM Zone Championship meet. Surcharge will be in effect.
5. New Business
 - a. Nomination/selection of a substitute zone representative for Feb. – Sept. 2003. This will include the 2003 convention. Discussion ensued.
MSA - unanimously to recommend that the current zone chair resign immediately due to his expressed inability to complete his term. The vacancy would then be filled based on procedure in the USMS Rule Book.
 - b. MSA – to recommend Doug Garcia to Lynn Hazelwood as the choice of the six LMSCs present to be the replacement zone representative.
6. General Announcements from Members
 - a. USMS President Jim Miller noted that current committee members should note their preferences for continuing on current committees or serving on other committees.
 - b. USMS President Jim Miller further noted the need for continued stimulation of interaction between committees for future projects including a bid for World Championships, the database project, and governance issues.
 - c. Sally Dillon reported that the Long Distance rules change proposals are all sound.
 - d. Jan Kavadas reported that Rules changes include rewritten proposals for pool facility standards and recall rope use.
 - e. Sandi Rousseau reported that the Championship Committee proposals are all sound.
 - f. Joanne Wainwright stated that Alaska intends to bid for 2004 LCM Zone Championships at Bartlett Pool in Anchorage. She will present this at the December Zone meeting.

Time Meeting Was Adjourned: 1:41 PM

TASKS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR

1. Scheduling of the 2003 LCM Championship
2. Scheduling of the 2003 SCM Championship (PNA)