

# USMS Convention—Jacksonville, FL 2011

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Northwest Zone	<b>Session #:</b>	1	<b>Report #:</b>	
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Wes Edwards	<b>Vice Chair:</b>			
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Wes Edwards	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	September 17, 2011 10:35 am		

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## Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None.

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## Motions Passed:

1. MSA to revise Northwest Zone policy to specify a deadline for submitting reimbursement requests for convention expenses to the zone treasurer. The deadline will be January 1<sup>st</sup>, following the conclusion of convention.

<b>Number of committee members present:</b>	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b>
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Wes Edwards (Chair), Mark Braun, Bob Bruce, Paige Buehler, Kathy Casey, Sally Dillon, Jeanne Ensign, Alan Kirpes, Lo Knapp, Arni Litt, Donn Livoni, Hugh Moore, Jane Moore, Ginger Pierson, Walt Reid, April Robinson, Sandi Rousseau, Richard Siebert, Kelly Sharitt, Dennis Tesch, Sarah Welch, Kenneth Winterberger, Jill Wright.		
<b>Others:</b>		

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## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:35am.

1. Introductions were completed.

### OLD BUSINESS

2. 2011 Zone SCM Championship Meet: To be hosted by Tualatin Hills Barracudas in Beaverton, OR November 5-6, 2011. Entry information is available on the Zone website.
3. 2012 Zone SCY Championship Meet: Preference will be given to bids from other than OR and PN. The bid package is available on the Zone website.
4. 2012 Zone Championship Open Water Event: Scheduled to be hosted by Utah. They have tentatively selected a site and more information will be available next year.
5. 2012 Zone LCM Championship Meet: Preference will be given to bids from other than OR. If no bids are received, the meet will default to OR, who will host it as part of the Gil Young Memorial LCM Meet at Mt Hood Community College.
6. Zone Newsletter Update: Comments about the Zone newsletter were positive. The Zone Chair requested that more pictures and swimmer profiles be sent. It was suggested that the newsletter be sent to all LMSC Registrars for member-wide distribution and that the LMSC Chairs be copied as well.
7. Zone Conference Calls: The current schedule of conference calls will continue (Dec-March-June, 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month at 6:00 PM Pacific Time). The next conference call will be Sunday, December 18, 2011 at 6:00 PM Pacific Time.

### NEW BUSINESS

8. Treasurer's Report: Sarah Welch (Treasurer) presented the zone financial report. All LMSC's have paid their zone surcharge and are up to date. It is not necessary to purchase awards at this time. MSA to approve the financial report.
9. MSA to include a deadline for convention reimbursement requests from delegates scheduled to receive Zone funding assistance. The deadline will be January 1<sup>st</sup> of the year following the convention.
10. After a brief discussion of the feasibility of continuing Zone funding assistance for small LMSC's, a sub-committee was appointed to research the issue and report back to the Zone Chair. The committee will be composed of Sally Dillon (PN), Sara Welch (PN), Dennis Tesch (UT) and Jill Wright (SR).

11. The concept of a Zone Open Water Series was briefly discussed and tabled after concerns about potential attendance and geographical limitations were raised.
12. In an effort to increase attendance at Zone championship events, the Chair strongly urged every LMSC to post and advertise each Zone event on the LMSC calendar and website, providing links to online registration pages and entry forms. Each of the LMSC delegates present agreed to do so.
13. PN will be hosting a USMS Coaching Certification clinic October 21-22 in Seattle. The online registration process is open. Each LMSC was encouraged to make the information available to their coaches and provide funding assistance if possible.

#### **LMSC REPORTS**

14. Alaska – \$14K Reserves. New Chair - Joanne Wainwright. 366 members and growing. 8<sup>th</sup> annual \$500 scholarship for graduating high school student to be given this Spring. Looking at Chena Lake for the 2013 Zone OW Event.
15. Inland Northwest – \$12K in reserves. 325 members.
16. Montana – Very little \$\$\$ in reserve.
17. Oregon – \$44K in reserves. 1000+ members. Hosting SCM Zone Meet in November. Major progress on separation of Clubs a LMSC Funds with Oregon Club Board and Bylaws. New website being developed.
18. Pacific Northwest – \$48K in reserves. 1500+ members. New website being developed. Hosting USMS Coaching Certification clinic Oct 21-22.
19. Snake River – \$6K in reserves. Hosted Zone OW event in 2011.
20. Utah – \$12K in reserves. 280 members. Working on transition from meets run by the LMSC Board to meets organized and run by the clubs.

#### **ZONE CHAIR ELECTION**

21. Wes Edwards was elected to another two-year term as the Northwest Zone Chair.

#### **USMS COMMITTEE UPDATES**

22. Paige Buehler summarized the latest news from the LMSC Development Committee.
23. Sally Dillon provided information about the USMS annual awards, with special emphasis on the Dorothy Donnelly award, and encouraged everyone to nominate someone from their respective LMSCs next year.
24. Pool Length and Venue Data Bases: Everyone was encouraged to submit information on these to USMS, helping to support a complete and accurate central data base available to everyone.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:08 pm.

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