

Northwest Zone Meeting Minutes

Committee Name: Northwest Zone	
Committee Chair: Sally Dillon	
Minutes recorded by: Sally Dillon	Date/time of meeting: December 10, 2017, 6 pm PST

Motions Passed with financial implications: none

1. **MSA to approve the treasurer's report as submitted.**
2. **MSA to approve all four zone championship bids submitted for 2018 (details below).**

Number of committee members present: 12	Absent: n/a	Number of other delegates present: n/a
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Sally Dillon (PN), Ken Winterberger (AK), Matt Bronson & Paige Buehler (IW), Donn Livoni (MT), Tim Waud, Ginger Pierson, & Sandi Rousseau (OR), Sarah Welch & Steve Peterson (PN), Jim Clemmons (SR), and Aaron Norton (UT)		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 pm PST.

A. General business

3. Actions taken between meetings:
 - a. Minutes of the zone meeting held in Dallas, TX on September 14 were approved via email.
4. NW Zone Chatter Newsletter
 - a. LMSC reports are due to the chair by December 6.
5. Zone Chair report – Sally Dillon
 - a. As a new cycle has begun, Sally appointed Ken Winterberger (treasurer), Hugh Moore (webmaster), and Steve Darnell (record keeper) for 2-year terms.
 - b. The next NW Zone meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 4, 2018 at 6 pm PST.
 - c. The LMSC Standards survey will take place in early 2018. Let Sally know if there are deficiencies from the last survey that you'd like to discuss. She reminded everyone that their officers need to register with USMS by January 1.
6. Financial report – Ken reported that the zone has account has a balance of \$5774.23. He has not yet received convention reimbursement requests from SR and MT. The Reimbursement form can be obtained from Ken or downloaded from the website at northwestzone.org. Sandi asked if Ken will be billing the Oregon treasurer for the SCM zone meet surcharge and he responded that a check should be sent directly to him, payable to USMS with NW zone noted on the memo line. Ken noted that while some people have expected a bill, the meet treasurer should submit this on their own. Sally noted that this is the last time a zone surcharge will be collected. **MSA to approve the treasurer's report as submitted.**
7. Webmaster report – Hugh Moore wasn't present but Sally noted that he is keeping the website up to date. Aaron said that UT has a new webmaster and a new website is coming soon. Sally suggested that the new web link be submitted to Hugh for posting on the zone web page.
8. Record keeper report – Steve Darnell reported via email.
 - a. SCM records are current, including results from the November 2017 Zone Championship meet in Hood River, OR, and the November 2017 PSM meet in Federal Way, WA.
 - b. LCM records are current, including results from the August 2017 USMS National Championship meet in Minnesota, and the August 2017 Zone Championship meet at Mt. Hood Community College, OR.
 - c. SCY records are current, including results from the April 2017 USMS National Championship meet in Riverside, CA.
 - d. There were 54 new Zone SCM records set at the recent PSM Championship meet in Federal Way, which must be a new record in itself!
 - e. There are no significant unresolved issues at this point.
 - f. Thank you to Hugh Moore for posting updated Zone record files to the Zone website so quickly!
Aaron asked if the zone records get posted automatically to the USMS site. Sarah said they are connected but swimmers need to notify their LMSC Records and Tabulation person if they are competing out of the LMSC or USMS. Aaron was wondering if recent state records got into the database.
9. NW Zone At Large Director report – Sarah Welch reported that since convention, committee assignments have been made by USMS President Patty Miller. People who requested committee spots received one, but not always on the committee that they requested due to the need to see that all committees were well balanced. The National Office sent

out the notices notifying all who were appointed. The Board has established two Task Forces: 1) Convention, which is being led by Ed Tsuzuki and 2) Volunteers, which is being led by Laura Winslow.

Aaron brought up an issue Utah is having regarding dual sanctioning meets with College Club Swimming (CCS). There doesn't seem to be a plan in place to allow this since CCS is not like USA-Swimming. Donn had the understanding that CCS swimmers were also USMS members but that is apparently not the case. Since they already pay dues to CCS, many are not inclined to also join USMS. Aaron will send Donn and Sarah an email with details so they can bring it up with the USMS Board. Paige suggested that Aaron and others with similar concerns contact Onshalee at the National Office as she is well acquainted with CCS and can answer their questions. Sandi asked about the status of the new USMS website and Donn replied that as per an update during a recent Executive Committee call, the website is slated to go live February 1.

10. 2017 NW Zone Championship events

- a. SCM at Hood River, OR – Sandi Rousseau reported that there were 87 swimmers at the meet; most from Oregon plus a few others. The meet garnered good reviews from OR evaluators. Next year they will have a 1-day meet in HR and it will be the same weekend.

B. New business

1. Bids for 2018 NW Zone Championships

- b. SCY – Big Sky Montana Swim Club, April 6-8 at the University of Montana in Missoula, MT
- c. OW – Sawtooth Masters, 1-mile OW, June 2 at Broadside Harbor in Caldwell, ID
- d. LCM – Oregon Reign, August 24-26 at Mt Hood Aquatic Center in Gresham, OR
- e. SCM – Puget Sound Masters, November 17/18 at King County Aq. Ctr. in Federal Way, WA

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2. Zone polo shirts for 2018 convention – Sally pointed out that some of the zones were decked out in matching shirts and asked if there is interest in having some designed with our new logo and made available to zone members for the next convention. There was little interest. Sandi said that OR had LMSC shirts this year and she was too cold.

Sally welcomed Aaron Norton as the new chair of the Utah LMSC. She reminded all to notify her and the National Office when changes to the LMSC leadership teams take place.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 pm PST.
