

PVLMSC "Annual" Meeting Minutes – October 25, 2009
GMU – Fairfax, VA
Recorded by Cheryl Wagner

Introductions were made.

The last meeting's minutes were approved.

Reports:

1) Chairman:

This will be the last meeting that Debbie Morrin-Nordlund will serve as chair. She will do a convention recap (noted in "new business").

2) Registrar:

Incredible growth in PV membership (as of the end of October):

Year - Members

2006 - 1950

2007 - 2103

2008 - 2215

2009 - 2585

- 84% of our swimmers registered online this year.

- Strangely enough, there are more USPS returns from online swimmers than paper forms (even though the swimmers type in their own addresses online). The most common problem is swimmers not typing in their Apt numbers. Suggestion was made to software developer to make that request more clear.

- Swimmers can start to register for 2010 on November 1.

- Clubs must be registered/renewed for 2010 in order for their members to register online.

- Clubs can now renew online (new clubs still have to use the old fashioned paper reg form).

- Clubs can upload a team logo which will appear on each club members' card.

- Clubs can submit an email address which will receive a notification of all swimmer registrations.

- Clubs can request one report per month of registered members (ask Jeff for report).

- Reminder that PV clubs are required to attend at least one LMSC board meeting per year. If clubs attend at least one board meeting, their registration renewal fee is reduced to \$50 (\$100 for those who do not attend any board meetings during the calendar year).

- The PV bylaws state that a team must have four members in order to register with PV/USMS. Previously the club had to wait to have 4 paper swimmer registrations before the club could be registered. Now the club can get registered with only the promise that at least 4 swimmers will register. PV will have to handle this on a case by case basis.

3) Top Ten:

- Long course season is over and times from PV eligible meets have been submitted to USMS for Top Ten consideration.

- DCRP had to remove some of its meet result links since a member objected to their email address being posted online. They will revise and put the results back up.

4) Awards:

The short course yards top swimmers, Jim Tuchler and Margot Pettijohn, have been notified.

5) Treasurer

- There is \$46,000 in the bank accounts (total for checking & saving)
- Jeff Roddin has signature authority on the checking account to pay the monthly USMS registration invoice.
- Tim Timmons has signature authority on both accounts.
- USMS sends a check for the online registrations directly to Tim Timmons.
- The convention expenses have been paid.
- We're doing great - really well.
- Raising the dues \$5 several years ago was a good idea.
- The total in our account in the last three years was in the twenties.
- We pay no taxes because we're tax exempt.

6) Secretary:

No report

7) Newsletter:

- Tim Timmons suggested that since there are three seasons (long course meters, short course yards, and short course meters) that the newsletter publication dates correspond to the end of these seasons: January, June, and September.
- Jeff Roddin can send out a broadcast email to all PV swimmers if there is a major announcement to be made. It was suggested to not do this more than once per quarter so we don't run the risk of being a potential spammer.

8) Sanctions:

- Debbie Morrin-Nordlund volunteered to be the new Sanctions chair.
- The meet schedules have been updated.
- Mollie Grover will evaluate the Tropical Splash meet
- Julie Roddin will evaluate the Albatross Open.
- Deb Morrin-Nordlund will evaluate the SCY Zone Meet.

9) Long Distance:

- Ann will go through the postal event results in order to determine the long distance award winners.
- Nationally the long distance committee was divided into two parts: Open Water & Long Distance
- Dennis Crean volunteered to promote Open Water in PV.

10) Officials:

Eric Nordlund had nothing to report.

11) Fitness:

No report.

New Business:

- The minimum standards for conducting LMSCs are now posted on the Colonies Zone website.
- A combined report from all people who went to convention was presented.
- Jeff Strahota posted a convention report on the PV website.
- USMS established the officers that each LMSC must have. PV meets that standard.
- Concerning swimsuits, USMS decided to enforce the FINA rules. FINA will make a ruling in January. The meet referees will enforce the swimsuit rule. USMS will send an emergency notification to member emails (that they have on record) as soon as there is a decision.
- USMS suggested that referees have the full USMS rulebook at meets.
- PV will buy rulebooks to give to officials who do a lot of our meets.

- USMS is raising the member registration fees \$2 in each of the following years: 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014. PV decided to absorb the increase for 2010. PV will review the 2011 increase at the March 2010 LMSC meeting. PV decided not to increase the OEVT fee which is \$20.
- PV will have a SCM meet in December, working jointly with DCRP. PV would pay the pool rental. \$100 would be paid to each meet official. Jeff Strahota will act as meet director.
- Elections were conducted. The PV officers are:
 - Jeff Strahota - chairman
 - Tim Timmons - treasurer
 - Cheryl Wagner - secretary
- The next meeting will occur prior to the Albatross Open meet on March 20, 2010 at the Montgomery Aquatics Center.

Attendees:

Ray Novitske	Alexandria Masters Swimming
Ellen Hufford	Arlington Masters
Denis Crean	Curl-Burke
Mary Wallack	Curl-Burke
Ann Svenson	DC Masters
Julie Roddin	Fairfax County Masters
Marcie Kanakis	Fairfax County Masters
Billy McDonald	Machine Aquatics
Bret Bailey	MASH
Jeff Roddin	Montgomery Ancient Mariners
Peter Lee	National Capital YMCA
Tim Timmons	Patriot Masters Swim Team
Michelle Moyer	Reston Masters
Cheryl Wagner	Terrapin Masters
Debbie Morrin-Nordlund	Terrapin Masters
Eric Nordlund	Terrapin Masters
Mollie Grover	Terrapin Masters
Jeff Strahota	Terrapin Masters