

Action Items:

1. Wes to provide INWM BOD with confirmation regarding Tri Cities hosting a meet in January 2008.
 2. Carolyn to review previous meet information and inform Doug about changes.
 3. Virgil to investigate separating Club and LMSC finances. For assistance, Virgil may contact USMS Treasurer, Jeff Moxie.
 4. All Team Reps are responsible for notifying INWM Chair, Doug Garcia, if they are sending their alternate to attend a BOD meeting.
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Chair Doug Garcia called the meeting to order at promptly 7:30pm PDT. Present or via telecon were Vice Chair, Brenda Guettler; Treasurer Virgil Crampton; Secretary Lincoln Djang; Top Ten Chair Margaret Hair; Meets and Sanctions Brian Johnson; Moscow Chinook Masters Paige Buehler; Wenatchee Valley Masters Carolyn Magee; Tri Cities Wes Bratton; Fairchild AFB, Matt Bronson.

Treasurer's Report:

Virgil announced that there was \$5248 in checking and \$2498 in savings, but those amounts do not reflect convention expenses.

Registrar's Report:

There are 276 USMS registered swimmers in INWM, which is a record high.

Convention Report:

Paige sent out highlights in an e-mail dated 10/21/07. Several noteworthy items included insurance coverage, a link to the USMS insurance handbook, a report summary, and information regarding "certificate of liability coverage." Practice activities that are not covered: water polo, underwater hockey, and other underwater activities. Activities that are covered include dry land – running, cycling, and other events pre-approved by the USMS insurer. Fees for insurance are decreasing in 2008 by \$0.05 per person.

USMS National fees are increased to \$25 in 2008. On-line registration beta testing began on 10/15 for LMSC Registrars only. LMSC individual registrations are still to be sent to Paige until testing is completed.

Doug informed the group that he is a member of the USMS trademark and branding group and a strategy will be developed over the course of time.

Clinic Report:

Financially, the clinic had \$660 in income and \$644 in expenses. The participants got good value from Dennis Baker. Margaret is in contact with someone to write a report on the Clinic for the Newsletter.

Sanctions:

Brian reported that the Moscow meet is set for Sunday, November 11.

Wes reported that Tri Cities is looking at January 19th for their meet and are in contact with Yakima and Moses Lake. The meet sanction requirements are available from the INWM web page. Margaret emphasized that the INWM meets are small. Pools typically have only 5 lanes. Carolyn mentioned that the Moses Lake pool has 8 lanes and their officials would be glad to help. Doug recommended that Tri Cities should have a firm meet commitment to INWM on November 11 at the Moscow meet.

The Short Course Meters Championship will be in Anchorage, Alaska on December, 1. Wenatchee is set for February 24th. INWM Championships is set for March 29 and 30. April 12 and 13 is the PNA and Zone Championship. .

USMS Legislation -

Clubs and LMSC finances must be separated. Virgil mentioned ways to avoid co-mingling the funds. New on-line registration raises issues about crime insurance for LSMC officers. There are issues, which places LMSC officers at risk. Clubs need to register \$30 per year. LMSCs need to register \$30 per year. Virgil recommended that INWM should consider a resolution to have separate bank accounts for the LMSC and the INWM Club. Doug asked Virgil to look into how to comply with the 2008 USMS regulations and contact Jeff Moxie.

Club and Team Reps

There are Club and Super Club registration problems due to regional clubs registering as a single club. For example, Colorado and Wyoming are going to combine to be one club. Oregon, INWM, and PNA are examples of large clubs consisting of several small teams or groups. Margaret asked if the Lake City Masters will be required to submit organizational documents, no matter if the group is a Club or a Team. Doug clarified that a group registered as a Club, cannot mix with other swimmers from the general geographic area. The group noted several pros and cons associated with the issue.

Paige will begin accepting registration forms on 11/01. Team registration form has been forwarded on to Doug. The fee remains at \$10. Teams are responsible for providing the contact name on web site and the Newsletter. Yakima and Spokane may be taken off the list, if they do not re-register

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:32pm PST.