

INLAND NW MASTERS SWIMMING COMMITTEE

Board of Managers
Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2009

Called to Order: 7:10pm

Present: Larry Krauser, Brian Johnson, Virgil Crampton, Mike Hartley, Doug Garcia, Lauren Torok, Paige Buehler, Harm-Jan Steenhuis, Wes Bratton, Matt Bronson, Carolyn MaGee, Shirley Schreiber

Next meeting: TBD

Previous Meeting Minutes

MSA to approve IWMSC Board of Managers meeting minutes from December 7, 2008.

Treasurer's Report

Virgil reported there are \$6,152 in Checking and \$2,564 in Savings/CD accounts.

Registrar's Report

Paige confirmed that all the HMS teams re-registered for 2009 (WSU and Moses Lake had not as of previous meeting.)

Paige estimated 187 members in the Inland NW LMSC. Actual number as of 2/8/09 is 194. HMS: 167, LCNM: 19, UNAT: 8

Nominations Process – Shirley Schreiber

The following people have been nominated for each officer position:

Chair – Paige Buehler

Vice-chair – no candidates

Secretary – Kristin Heath (WVM) & Matt Bronson (FAFB)

Treasurer – Virgil Crampton (WSU, incumbent) & Allen Kirpes (WVM)

Bylaws state that no more than two candidates from one team can run for officer positions. Discussion followed about whether the BoM might need to suspend that rule or if there was a time limit on it (i.e. through the nominations period until Feb. 1). Result of the discussion is that Matt Bronson will change his nomination from secretary to vice-chair. Wes Bratton will beat the TCAS bushes for any candidates for secretary or vice-chair.

Election Process

MSA Carolyn to run elections in Paige's place since secretary should run it but she is running for chair.

Appointed positions

Mike had questions about the term of office for any appointed positions such as registrar and committee chairs. No changes to policy.

Clinics

Lincoln & Amanda Djang clinic in Wenatchee – Carolyn MaGee & Shirley Schreiber

Held on Feb. 8th at H.S. pool with 8 people in the AM and 12 in PM group.

Underwater video w/DVD to be sent to participants.

Did mostly freestyle and could have been longer with more strokes

\$20 cost for 3 hr clinic

12 was too many

Lots of positive comments on his technique coaching

If other teams want to have him give a team clinic, he is available and recommended.

Tom Jager clinic in Moscow – Brian Johnson

Saturday, May 2 11am – 2pm

\$500 fee plus \$200 for pool cost = \$700 total

Brian recommends 2 scenarios: \$20 cost/person or LMSC picks up total

Carolyn thinks paying a fee commits people to the date

Need understanding about maximum number of participants. Brian to get that info from Tom and email the BoM.

Paige suggested limiting host team slots so out of towners can get a fair chance.

Table marketing of clinic till next meeting

Meets

Wenatchee meet – March 7th

Entry form in last newsletter and on web

Champs meet– Moscow, ID - March 28-29

Form to be published in next newsletter mid-Feb and on web. Paige is almost done with it and will send it to Carolyn and Doug.

Allow deck entries? Yes.

MSA early fee \$25/\$35 for deck entries

Annual Membership Meeting

Host team sets up banquet – venue booked for Saturday eve, March 28th as a potluck dinner hosted by the Moscow Chinooks.

BoM sets up awards process – committee?

Chair Mike determines AGM agenda

Awards

Scorers – Margaret owns

Dedicated & Inspirational – committee decides

Insurance coverage

Level of urgency to have individual swimmers register with USMS is dependent on whether club/team needs USMS coverage. For example, WSU Masters is a team of swimmers who are part of the WSU university recreation swim club which is covered through WSU for insurance purposes. However, it limits its enrollment to the WSU population. Central Washington University operates much the same way. A portion of its swimmers register with USMS to take advantage of our meet opportunities.

Moscow Chinooks Masters practices at the University of Idaho swim center, but is not affiliated with the university. It rents the pool time and needs insurance coverage

through USMS by having all of its swimmers registered with USMS. It is open to all participants including the university community.

For workout groups or clubs that need the USMS insurance coverage they need to have a process in place that ensures all their swimmers are registered with USMS and covers "trial" swimmers who want to try out the Masters swim program for a given period of time before signing up with the group and registering with USMS.

The recommended way to do this, as described at the insurance workshop at the USMS convention

- Have USMS/IWMS registration forms available on deck
- New swimmers fill out and sign before participating
- Write "TRIAL" on the form and keep the form with the team equipment/papers
- When the swimmer is ready to pay the USMS/IWMS fee, pair the form with the check to send to the registrar
- Or have the swimmer confirm that they registered on-line and then shred the form.

If you keep paperwork at the pool, please respect people's privacy of information and use a locked box. MCM uses a small file box with a hole through which a luggage lock can be used to secure the contents. It's not high-security, but at least it indicates that if someone is found breaking into the box, there is a problem.

Reps, Mgrs and Coaches can look up real-time who is registered on their team at https://www.ClubAssistant.com/club/usms_members.cfm?l=35> Inland Northwest

The workout groups within Hydropower Masters (HMS) are listed at the top and you can sort just your own by clicking the acronym.

Other

SWAT is interested in hosting a meet in May. They would like feedback as to whether to pursue that.

Adjourned at 8:30 by the conference call system!