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**Action Item:**

1. MSA the minutes of the 3-17-09 meeting.
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Vice President Leo Letendre called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. EDT. Also present were Julie Heather, Rob Butcher, Mike Heather, Mark Gill, Jeff Moxie, Jim Miller, Patty Miller and Meg Smath.

## **Executive director's report**

Rob B shared that he has been participating in a number of committee meetings to better understand where the committees are coming from, what their challenges are, and how the new National Office can be of assistance in fulfilling their missions and objectives.

## **Approval of minutes**

MSA the minutes of the 3-17-09 meeting.

## **Open Water and Long Distance bid process**

The EC discussed the fact that bid forms for the 2011 Open Water and Long Distance championships will only be accepted via email. As the vice president with jurisdiction over the Open Water and Long Distance Committee, Mark will remind the committee of the importance of backing up the bid information.

## **National Headquarters progress report**

Rob B reported that we are considering two potential locations for office space in Sarasota. Leases are being developed for both properties. Once we have the lease options, a recommendation will be presented to the Board of Directors, along with an overbudget request.

## **Vice President of Community Services report**

Mike reported that fitness logs are being tested by Mary Sweat. Go The Distance had over 879 participants in March. Fitness Committee Chair Marcia Anziano has been in communication with the Open Water and Long Distance Committee about postal events, suggesting that the "fitness" category be changed to something else (possibly "noncompetitive"), since we are all fitness swimmers, competition based or otherwise.

## **Next EC meeting and adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m. EDT. Our next meeting will be April 21, 2009, at 7:00 p.m. EDT.

Meg Smath  
Secretary