

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Long Distance Committee	<b>Session #:</b>	<b>Report #:</b>
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Donn Livoni	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	John Traynor
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Karen Reeder	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	April 28th, 8:00 PM EDT

<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 13	<b>Absent:</b> 8	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b> 1
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Donn Livoni (chair), Nadine Day (USMS President), David Diehl (EC-Ex-0), Lynn Hazelwood (OW-Ex-O), Karen Reeder, Susan Kirk, Phyllis Quinn, Bob Bruce, Colleen Driscoll, Jim Sauer, Tom Spence, Jill Wright, Heather Hagadorn, Ali Hall		

1. OW Sanctions Guidelines– No one reported any further questions about the new guidelines.
2. Grant Relief Program – Susan reported the 6 applications have been received and 4 approved. Please continue to promote the program.
3. Status to 10 mile OW NC event in Minnesota – they will be unable to host this event this year because of sanction fee costs associated with other events held in conjunction with the 10 mile.
4. 2014 & 2015 Bid winners and process – Donn discussed changing the timing of this process to await convention actions. After discussion, the committee decided the process will continue on schedule for this year. Donn will send out the draft letter and bid form to the working group for review and editing. He will then send out the final document.
5. Change in NC event per swimmer surcharge – Donn suggested a surcharge increase and gave an example of financial consequences if the surcharged was increased from \$1 to \$3 for the postal events and \$3 to \$6 for the NC championships. Susan Kirk asked for information about the benefits that National Championships receive from headquarters and Nadine indicated she would forward that information. The committee will continue to discuss this issue via email for a decision next month.
6. Working groups – reports
  - a. Rules/Legislation – Lynn Hazelwood reviewed the Legislative proposals which were sent out to everyone on the committee. These should be further reviewed by the committee before next month’s meeting.
  - b. PARA (Patches, All-Americans, Records, All-Stars) – Tom reported. We have posted our 2013 timeline on Google Drive. We are current to the timeline. OHP results have been received. Spreadsheets have been updated. AA results are due next from the >3/<6 Mile OW Championship by 6/1/13. Jill reported that all records are updated on the website. A new spreadsheet on Google docs need to be set up for this year's records.
  - c. Club Assistant- no report at this time
  - d. Safety – no report at this time
  - e. Manuals – no report at this time
  - f. NC Selection – Donn will contact each of the 2014 bid winners and confirm that they are still planning on hosting their events. He will also ask them if they are running the same event in 2013 under the USMS/LMSC sanction guidelines. The BOD has not decided about a waiver of the 2014 sanction/insurance surcharge fee.
7. Liaisons–

- a. Lee County Gulf Coast, Ft. Myers, FL (5K) 4/27. Donn reported that the event was a success and had 118 individual and 13 cumulative relay entrants. The event was run well, but did have a safety compliance issue that is being reviewed with the LDC, OWCC, & USMS NO. No one was injured at the event.
  - b. Swim Las Vegas, Lake Mead, Las Vegas, NV (10K) Susan reported. Event host is current with the timeline. Awards have been ordered and shipped.
  - c. Tri-Valley Masters, Lake Del Valle, Livermore, CA (1-mile) Phyllis reported they are on schedule.
  - d. Mission Viejo Nadadores, Salt Creek State Beach, Dana Point, CA (2.4 mile) Heather reported. Event signup is active online and ready to be posted on USMS: <http://www.usms.org/comp/event.php?MeetID=20130804MVNOWCO>. Performance bond has been submitted (early) and the safety plan reviewed and accepted. Host is waiting to hear back from John Traynor regarding clinic funding (scheduled for June 9)
  - e. 2 Mile Cable, Adirondack Masters, Mirror Lake, Lake Placid, NY (2-mile cable). Tom reported. This event is back on its original timeline after a slow start due to USMS open water insurance/sanction issues. They just started taking entries, currently have eleven. The next timeline event is the ordering of awards by July 18, 2013.
  - f. OHP: Davis Aquatic Masters, Davis, CA. Ann reported. OHP is almost complete. Financial report is due 5/2. As Susan mentioned, they've done an excellent job, one of the most smoothly run postals we've experienced.
  - g. 5,000/10,000M Postal: Greta reported. The webinar for online registration with Club Assistant will be Monday evening, April 29 at 6:00PM.
  - h. 3,000/6,000 Postal: Central Illinois Masters. No report at this time.
7. Next Call – MONDAY May 27th with times of 8 PM EDT, 7 PM CDT, 6 PM MDT & 5 PM PDT.
8. Adjourned at 9:24 PM EDT