

Committee Name:	Long Distance	Session #:	1	Report #:	1
Committee Chair:	Ali Hall	Vice Chair:	Phyllis Quinn		
Minutes recorded by:	Lorena Sims	Date/time of meeting:	3/31/19		

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None

Motions Passed:

- 1.

Number of committee members present: 15	Absent: 1	Number of other delegates present: 0
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Ali Hall (Chair), Phyllis Quinn (Vice Chair), Donn Livoni (Vice President), David Brancamp, Robin Smith, Sarah King, Stephen Rouch, Alana Aubin, Catherine Rust, Jim Davidson, Sandra Frimerman-Bergquist, Joanne Wainwright, Matt Miller, Laurie Hug, Bob Singer, Lorena Sims. Ex-Officio Members Jay Eckert, Absent: Bob Bruce. Others:		

Agenda

Long Distance Committee

Call in information

Sunday, March 31, 2019 - 8:00pm – 9:00pm ET

Dial In (if Free Long Distance): 530 881-1212 or 518 530-1840 or 701 801-1220 (preferred)

Toll Free (charged to USMS): 855-212-0212

Meeting ID: 397-249-317

Host PIN: 7956

The meeting was called to order at:

1. Welcome and roll call
2. Approval of any outstanding meeting minutes
3. Reports from the chair (Ali) and vice chair (Phyllis) and vice president (Donn)
4. Working groups – reports (please send your report to all in advance)
 - 2019 Rules/Legislation – Bob B/Jim; Donn, Lorena, Bob S., Robin, Matt, Stephen. All will be involved during the spring. I have attached two documents:
 - a. The Part 3 Rules in my favorite rule book format (dated 190325).
 - b. The Rules Scoresheet (dated 190331).
 Time permitting, I plan to lead discussion on all rules proposals marked in red. Please...
 - a. Prepare by reading and thinking about the items before the meeting.
 - b. Send me pulls—just like at Convention—on proposals that you would like to discuss. Coachbob-bruce at gmail dot com. I will also ask for pulls at the meeting at the beginning of the rules discussion.
 As always, we require a quorum to move rules & legislation forward, so please plan to be there for discussion and voting.
 - a. PARA – Jim and Sarah; Patches & Awards – Dave; All-Americans (AA) - Men – Lorena, Sandra; (AA) Women – Dave, Joanne; (AA) Relays – Phyllis, Dave; Records – Jill, Dave, All-Stars – Laurie, Alana; Postal Series –Alana, Joanne. 2018 All American and All Star Results finalized and posted to USMS nationalwebsite. 2019 One Hour E-Postal Results submitted to national office and posted on USMS website

- b. Club Assistant – Lorena, & Stephen.
- c. Safety (as needed) – David M., lead.
- d. Documents – Matt, lead; & Bob S. (ePostal Guide – Matt, Bob S. & Jill. (OW Champs Guide – Matt & Bob S.
- e. 2021 NC Recruitment/Selection – Jill, lead; Robin, Matt, Stephen & Sandra
Nothing new to report. No submissions have been received. I'll begin pestering clubs in a month or so
- f. Communications — Laurie, lead; Matt.
- g. NC Oversight - Ali, lead; Phyllis, Jim, Matt, David M. OWTF CC: We had a call on March 26. I want to thank Dawson and Jay at the National office for their work on this project. One of the LDC goals is to increase the number of participants at all Open water swims. The main topic of the call was the One Event fee and trying to standardize this for all LMSC's. The specific recommendation may be ready by the next call.
- h. Goals – Phyllis, lead; Lorena, Robin, Bob S., Matt, Catherine, Sandra and Joanne
I am attaching a list of our goals and the assignments. If anyone on the committee has idea, please let us know. I would like to make progress on some of these goals by the April meeting. I am also attaching the updated Liaison guideline document. Please let me know if you have any additions or edits.
- i. LDC Award – Jill, lead; Laurie, Catherine, Joanne, Dave, Ali
The LD Award took awhile to be approved by the Recognitions and Awards Comm. It seems in the past they only approved new awards at their annual meeting at convention. They had to come to an agreement/vote to approve the new LD Award during an odd time of the year. It is now approved and on the website. I had originally sent out the notice for the award to all the LMSC chairs. I'll do it again in about a month to remind them of the award and to submit nominations. Attached is the rubric and scorecard we will use to compile the "many" entries. The committee is working on an awesome award.

Below is a list of the 2019 LD NC events and the liaisons assigned.

Each lead liaison will please give a brief written report on the status of their event (sent to the full committee prior to the conference call – THURSDAY at latest for SUNDAY calls). LIAISONS—PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL EARLY AND OFTEN FOR MESSAGES.

- USMS Middle Distance OWNC
- Davis Aquatics Masters, Lake Berryessa CA (2 miles) June 1
- o Liaison: Dave Backup: Phyllis
Event host has met all the deadlines to date:
Entries opened on March 1st and there are 32 participants entered currently
So far everything is looking good.
- USMS Cable OWNC
- Indianapolis, IN (2 miles) June 15/16
- o Liaison: Donn Backup: Sandra
- o Entry opened March 4th. There are 32 entries so far. Host has met with Indy Parks and Rec last week and all is good to go from their end.
- USMS Ultra-Marathon Distance OWNC
- Portland Bridges, Portland OR July 7
- o Liaison: Ali Back Up: Jill
- o All items on schedule
- USMS Sprint and Long Distance OWNC Festival
- Lake Willoughby, VT (1 mile and 5k) August 15/16
- o Liaison: Alana Back Up: Laurie

Everything is on schedule. As of a week ago there are 71 registrants for Long Distance and 61 for the Sprint.

- USMS Marathon Distance OWNC and OW Clinic
- Knoxville, TN September 22
 - o Liaison: Catherine Back Up: Stephen
 - o Entry opened 3/1, entry cap of 115 was reached within 24 hrs. A wait list has been set up, currently 20 on the list with a cap of 80. It is highly probable that all on the wait list will be added to the start list. The safety plan and sanction are in the process of being revised. Open Water Clinic is moving forward and waiting for the NO to approve the contract with UT for use of the aquatic facilities. Currently working on the curriculum.
- OHeP: Central Illinois Masters
 - o Liaisons: Lorena Back Up: Sarah
Registrations wrapped as scheduled and results were submitted timely, although some revisions were required prior to posting, resulting in a slight delay. Otherwise host is on schedule and we are currently in the 2-week comment window.
- 5,000M/10,000M ePostal: MEMO (Oakland, CA)
 - o Liaison: Robin Back Up: Joanne
 - o Entry form, Event logo, and Event t shirt reviewed/approved by USMS NO. Awaiting additional merchandise art work from host. Communication with Club Assistant has been initiated.
- 3,000/6,000 ePostal: Sawtooth Masters
 - o Liaison: Jim Back Up: Bob S.
 - o Detailed schedule for events leading up to event start developed with host. On track for first item, submission of logo to NO on 6/1.
- 2018 3000/6000: MEMO (Oakland, CA)
 - o Liaison: Lorena Back Up: Stephen

Other business for the good of the order

Next Call: **Sunday, April 28th, 2019 8p ET**

List of Dates for 2019 LDC Calls:

Jan	27
Feb	24
Mar	31
April	28
May	26
Jun	30
July	28
Aug	25
Sept	29
Oct	27
Nov	24

LDC Approximate High-Level Timeline Items by Month: A work in progress

January:

New OWNC season registrations open
prepare bid letters and documents
initiate work on new goals

February:

send out bid letters and post documents
send out award nomination requests
begin to consider rules changes

March through May:

consider rules changes
begin recruiting bids
updates on LD NC events progress

June:

finalize rules proposals
finalize award nominations
finalize bid recruitment
thick of the competition season

July:

award working group meets
bid selection working group meets

August:

finalize all LDC details to prepare for convention

September:

Convention

October-December:

Conclude remaining event details
Wrap-up year's business