

1999 Oceana Zone Committee Minutes

September 18, 1999

Attendance

Number of committee members present: 22 Pacific, 2 Hawaii/Maui
1 absent; Total number present: 23

Minutes

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Zone Rep Richard Smith called the meeting to order and welcomed all attendees. Richard asked for all members to verify their information for the LMSC database.

Zone committee meeting report: It was discussed how to help the small LMSCs. It was suggested that the larger LMSCs could adopt a small LMSC and help with dollar amounts for convention, and help with organizational details.

Reports from Hawaii

Janet Renner reported that last year at convention Hawaii had around 600 registered swimmers and this year has 800. The Board of Directors has grown from 3 volunteers to 6. Most of this was done through teleconferencing. Janet has requested that Pacific help them (Maui) on setting up the LMSC, help with position descriptions of the Board and committees, and help on setting up sanctioned events. Pacific will help in any way possible. Maui would like to bid again for the Pan Pacifics, but the hosting is no longer there as the county has withdrawn all funding and help. It is hoped that Oahu will build its membership/age group so it will be able to bid.

Ernie Leskovitz reported that ocean swimming is the big thing on Oahu. Ernie said that Sam Freese has started the Univ of Hawaii Masters Swimmers, and now has 120 registered swimmers. These are all pool swimmers. The World Aquatic Championships will be held on Oahu.

Coaches Mentor Program and Coaches On Deck Program were reported by Doug Huestis. The mentor program is done by request: date and type of clinic to be offered (fitness/stroke/open water) The On Deck coaches are at Nationals, and are there to help and/or coach swimmers with stroke or pacing.

Hot Topics

Rules: Tom Boak stated that this is only an emergency rules year and that the only thing is the USS whistle start. This was discussed.

Legislation: Rick Windes reported that since over 1/2 of the delegates were at the legislation meeting L2 and L3 were discussed in full and understood. The Standing Committee issue (Ransom J. Arthur) is the intent not to change how this is done. The L12 definition of the International committee will read: Limited to prior international competition or interest in international competition.

Carolyn Boak discussed deck seeded events, check in will be one hour before the swim, not the day before call in. No USMS card photocopy will be needed as this will be gained off the web. Only the swimmer's number will be needed on the entry form. Also discussed was the proposed \$30 surcharge.

Rich Burns discussed the televising of Nationals/new marketing tool video to promote Masters Swimming. A request for \$30-50K will be requested with final veto power by the Executive

Committee.

Finance: Clarine Anderson reminded us to look over the budget carefully and question anything that was of serious concern and pull the item.

Julie Paque opened nominations for Zone Rep. Richard Smith was nominated and elected by acclamation.

Nancy Ridout requested that we all read and understand the strategic plan and give any ideas or feedback to her.

Meeting adjourned

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