

1999 SOUTHWEST ZONE COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 18, 1999

ACTION ITEMS

Passed: Create a new Zone format to consolidate and create championships

New email news to be regularly emailed out to notify the Zone swimmers about meets, events and news.

Election Results for Zone Chair resulted in a tie vote. The SW Zone has elected Judy Gilles of Arizona and Clay Evans of SPMA as Co-SW Zone Chairpersons.

NUMBER PRESENT: 22

NUMBER ABSENT: 1

Attendance: SPMA: *Bonnie Adair Chair, Clay Evans, Lucy Johnson, Bob Merrick, Marie Wallace, Steve Schofield, Errol Graham, Jessica Seaton, Wayne McCauley, Shannon Sullivan, Mike Heather.*

SI: *Bill Earley, Eric Neilsen, Adrian Pipes, Diana Silva, ARIZ: Helen Bayly, Gordon Gillin, Susan Spencer, Edie Gruender, Dan Gruender, Judy Gilles, Phil Whitten.*

I. LMSC Reports:

SPMA has renewed contracts for registrar and records. They are paid contractors. SPMA boarders have been changed. Entry form for SPMA SCM Championship meet: the Long Beach Invitational was passed out. Discussion about the short course season and some date changes. SPMA Elections are coming up. SPMA mails out ballots to all register swimmers and has their swimmers mail back the ballot to the SPMA office. Catalina National championship 8 1/2 mile and 5K will take place next weekend on September 25 & 26. Questions were raised about the SPMA elections and how they were done. The problems of LMSC meetings were discussed. SWAM Swim Club will be having a one hour swim starting at 11:01, December 31st. UC Irvine will be having a 2,000 yards swim at 11:45 New Years eve. Food and drinks at pool side. For those that do not want to drive back home they can bring sleeping bags and sleep on the deck.

AIRIZONA: Dan Gruender presented the report. Approximately 700+ swimmers are signed up this year. There have been some difficulties with elections this year. Their bylaws have been amended this year and will be changed again. Arizona delegates have been very active this year.

SAN DIEGO-IMPERIAL: Bill Early presented the report: SDI has 4 delegates. They will have about 20 sanctioned events this coming year including the Senior Olympics (Dec 7, in Coronado Amphibious Base). Most meets have cut off dates for entries. Swimmers were encouraged to come to the combat training facility to view the under water windows surrounding the pool.

NEW MEXICO not in attendance.

- II. Zone activities. Our geographically large zone has historically not had organized zone meets or events because of the distance between LMSC's. Various ideas were discussed as to how to unify the SW Zone. There was discussion about whether there should be rotating Zone Championships held by the SW Zone LMSCs. Motion: the delegates in attendance will explore with their members the concept of hosting three Zone Championships as follows: SPMA Fall SC Meters; Arizona SC Yards, and San Diego LC Meters. Zone Chairperson will communicate with the LMSC chairs and take action as to the means and methods of establishing zone championship.
- III. Election: Judy Gillies (ARIZ) and Clay Evans (SPMA) were nominated for SW Zone Chairperson. Ballots were cast and counted and a tie resulted. Suggestion was made that Judy and Clay serve as Co-Chairpersons and this was acceptable to both. Motion to confirm election results passed.

- IV. Discussion on proposed legislative changes. Various delegates offered their opinions on issue of whether non-US citizens should be allowed to hold National records or be selected as an “All American.
- V. Motion to adjourn – passed. Meeting adjourned at 11:50.