

Pacific Masters Swimming  
General Meeting  
April 13, 2005

Call to order and introductions: The meeting was called to order by Michael Moore, Chairman @ 7:30 p.m.

Introductions: Michael Moore, FOG, Barbara Thomas, Joanne Berven, Allan Cartwright, LNM, Alan Levinson, MAM, Jennifer Zeitler, SCAM, James Knight, SERC, Barry Fasbender, STAN, Nancy Ridout, Dore Schwab, Jon Steiner, TAM, Cris Meier-Windes, TSUN, Bill Grohe, USF, Joan Alexander, Joan Smith, Richard Smith, Kerry O'Brien, Leianne Crittenden, Jim Perlman, Suzanne Perlman, WCM

### Officers' Reports

**Approval of the minutes** of March 16, 2005, no minutes

**Treasurer** - Clarine Anderson – absent. Barry Fasbender gave the report. MSP to accept the report.

**Chairman** – Michael Moore – Call for the USMS Officer/Director Nominations The RCP Mile has been cancelled.

**Vice Chairman Administration** – Barbara Thomas – Please add to the agenda to nominate a masters coach from Pacific or Hawaii to attend the ASCA clinic in Ft. Lauderdale in September, with registration fee paid by USMS.

Regarding fundraisers/dinners after meets, I'd like to report that SCAM had a feed at a local restaurant following the SCAM (Strawberry Invitational) and raised money for the club. I'm contacting WCM/TVM to arrange a similar fundraiser during the PMS Short Course Championships on April 29 – May 1.

**Vice Chairman Operations** - Barry Fasbender – Action Item: 1. Our Pool and Open Water Handbooks do not contain a policy on refunds if a pool meet or an open water swim is cancelled. What does the committee think an appropriate policy should be. MSP No refunds.

2. The 2004 USMS Top Ten Short Course Meters does include many times from the SAC meet. I checked the 65-69 men. Six of the times were included in the USMS Top Ten, but the following times were not included: 50 Back Jim Perlman 43.57, 50 Breast: Jim Perlman, 39.32 and Emory Haworth, 42.33, 50 Fly: Jim Perlman 36.94 and 100 IM: Jim Perlman 1:25.74. (Ann Hirsch was also not on the list) Action Item: The SAC results for all age groups for both women and men need to be checked to make sure that no other top ten times were left out of the USMS Top Ten. Then, an errata needs to be sent to Pieter Cath so that it can be included in the USMS Short Course Yards Top Ten document.

3. 2005 National Short Course Championships Status – current number of entries – 1,329

**Secretary** - Joan Alexander - I have received 4 delegate applications Joan Smith, Kristy King, Barbara Thomas, Leianne Crittenden, and 1 automatic Richard Smith, to date. Action Item: Recruit convention delegates. Michael Moore, Cris Meier-Windes, Bill Grohe, Joann Berven, Dore Schwab, Anne Cribbs were added at the meeting. Will call Cindy Baxter and Marcia Benjamin.

**At-Large** – Bill Grohe – No Report

### Committee Reports

**Zone Chairman** - Joan Alexander – The Zone Committee will have a conference call on Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> of March was cancelled because we did not have any applicants for USMS offices. A conference call will be scheduled May 8.

**Registration and Records** - Nancy Ridout – Pacific has registered 6, 068 swimmers and 99 clubs as of 4/9/05. We are in the process of sending out renewals, the old fashioned way. The list of those who have not renewed as of 4/9 has been sent to Beyond Words and it is anticipated the renewal forms will be in the mail within the next 10 days. I will be e-mailing club rosters to our member clubs next week. Action Item: 1. Request for an over-budget amount if it exceeds the \$5,000 budgeted for renewal invoices. MSP 2. The Age Group Swimmers of the Year have been tabulated and are here tonight under separate cover. We need to select the overall male and female Swimmers of the Year. Daniela Barnea and Bill Johnston were selected.

**Coaches** - Brian Stack/Kerry O'Brien - No Report

**Communications/Newsletter** - Joanne Berven – The May/June issue of the Newsletter was sent to the publisher last Tuesday, April 5. The next deadline for the Newsletter is May 15<sup>th</sup>. It will be especially important for anyone having an event for the July/August newsletter, that it be in by the 15<sup>th</sup>, as I am leaving on the 20<sup>th</sup> and will be gone until the first. I do not know if I will have e-mail access during that time. Michael Moore – The Pacific Masters web site has averaged 280MB of transfer over the past month and a half. The largest day of transfer was March 25, at 933MB (38,000 hits). Mel Dyke is putting together a top times list, it is unofficial, but a way for the swimmers to see how their times compare to others in their age group. I have sent him the SDIF file for most of the meets for which I have the records. Action Item: Google Ads – Google has an add program. I would put a few lines of code in a few pages. Google would generate ads that somehow match the content of the page. I think we have a chance to offset some of the costs of the web site without much cost. I would like to further investigate it on a trial basis.

**Fitness** – Crittenden – No Report

**Health and Safety** –Zeitler - No Report

**Hospitality** – Rotating. May – Marcia Benjamin, June – Joanne Berven, July – Nancy Ridout, August – Cris Meier-Windes - September – Jennifer Zeitler, October – Barry Fasbender, November – potluck

**Equipment** – Alan Cartwright – Inventory of equipment to be conducted, watches tested, and new procedure for tracking equipment.

**Legislation Rules** - Alan Levinson – Report follows: Update in our PMS Administrative Handbook and By-Laws. Action Item: It is my recollection that the PMS Committee agreed that, since these were changes to the PMS Administrative Handbook (Sections 10 and/or 102) and not changes to the By-Laws (Section 103), these two items would be considered and voted on at a later meeting of the PMS Committee. Unless the Committee had otherwise ruled, I propose putting these on the Agenda for our March 15, 2005 meeting. Section 101.3 Registration of Swimmers. A. Every swimmer or club planning to compete in PMS sanctioned events must first register with USMS or a National Governing Body or National Federation registered with FINA and agree to abide. Section 102.3 Committee Policies K. Records 3. PMS records set by Pacific registered swimmers in regional, or national or international meets held in other regions of USMS sanctioned by USMS or FINA shall be recognized from USMS Top Ten listings or from an electronic heat sheet and duplicate timer's card with all information included. Responsibility for submission of record timed Rationale: These changes are proposed in anticipation and recognition of the 2006 FINA World Master Championships in Palo Alto. These modifications will accommodate our PMS-oriented rules for the international competition PMS will be hosting. I have forwarded changes to the PMS Administrative Handbook and By-Laws that were passed by the PMS Committee at the Annual Meeting of 11/17/04. These have been incorporated into the current version of the PMS Administrative Handbook and By-Laws (rev. 11/04). The changes (regarding PMS Committees) have also been incorporated into the analogous sections (Section 101.7 and Section 102.3) of the PMS Administrative Handbook, (rev. 11/04). {This duplication is one of the arguments for the current review and possible revision of the format of the Administrative Handbook.} The following two items were on the Nov. 17, 2004 Meeting Agenda under the Legislation/Rules Report, but were not mentioned in the minutes for Nov. 17, 2004.

**Marketing/Public Relations** – Bill Grohe/Dore Schwab – No Report

**Meet Operations** - Barry Fasbender - 1. The correct date for Santa Rosa Wine County SCM meet is Friday, October 14, 2005 and Saturday, October 15, 2005. The only event on Friday is the 1500M Free. 2. Recommended Procedure for Handling Swim Time Errors. If the Host still has the meet results, the meet director needs to research the problem, get the approval of the meet referee for any needed changes, and send a note along with the meet results to our LMSC Top Ten Recorder explaining the correction needed to the info in the SDIF file. If the results have been sent to our LMSC Top Ten Recorder, the recorder needs to research the problem and get the approval of the meet referee for any needed changes.

**Officials** – Cris Meier-Windes – No Report

**Open Water** – Cindy Clements – absent - Sanction packets have been sent to all individuals identified as race directors for the 2005 open water season. We will have an open water event directors meeting on April 17<sup>th</sup> at the Hilltop YMCA in Richmond, 10a.m. to 1p.m. The first sanctioned open water event of the season is the Parkside Aquatic Park mile May 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Scheduling** - Marcia Benjamin – absent – No Report

Ad Hoc Budget – Fasbender – No report

### **2006 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The Standard Entry times – Attached. (on separate pages)

Report on the trip to China for the FINA Bureau meeting. The FINA Bureau approved the schedule, both the dates and the events. The Bureau approved the mascot. The thermal caps seen to be approved, they have to be worn under the bright caps we will have to provide for the open water swim. The Bureau approved the qualifying times. The Bureau saw the draft of the meet book – Bill said the only thing was there was not the FINA logo. I spoke with Pedro Adrega of the communications department of FINA, he as going to hold off with a press release about the schedule and qualifying times so that we can issue a joint release. Bill Matson was originally not going to distribute the meet book to the Bureau, but after reviewing it, he said he would distribute it – I think that was due to the professional look that Beth Folkerth has given it. The FINA Masters Congress will be meeting in San Francisco on the day before or two days before the start of the championships.

**Old Business** –

**New Business** –

**Team Announcements** – None

Respectfully submitted

Joan Alexander  
Secretary  
Pacific Masters Swimming

**Next Meeting – May 11, 2005 7:30 p.m.**

**Dinner will be served from 7:00-7:30 p.m.**

**This meeting will be at the Heather Farm Community Center, Walnut Creek**