

**Pacific Masters Swimming  
Monthly Meeting  
October 22, 1997**

**Call to order and introductions.**

Marcia Benjamin, BOV; Joel Wilson CRUZ; Brad Winsor, Danald Veress DAM; Greg Spire, Michael Moore FCMC; Carolyn Boak LAM, Alan Levinson MAM; J. Paque, MVM; Joan Smith, Richard Smith SAC; Joanne Bervan, Tina Talbot, SANR; Polly Upshaw, SCAM; Joe Oakes SFBS; Barry Fasbender STAN; Christine Winn, Nancy Ridout, Dore Schwab TAM; Doug Huestis, Rick Windes UNAT; Joan Alexander, Elfriede Rogers, Kerry O'Brien WCM

Julie Paque noted that Christine Winn was moving to Hawaii the upcoming Monday. Christine was given a couple of mementos and thanked for her service to Pacific Masters Swimming, including the past two years as Chairman.

**Approval of Minutes of September 17, 1997**

Motion to approve minutes. MSP.

It was suggested that on the cover letter for the October minutes have a copy of the map to go out with annual meeting and the time of the meeting also be noted. The Annual meeting will be a pot luck dinner. It will start at 7 pm.

**Report of the Treasurer - Richard Smith**

Richard Smith presented

- 1 The monthly financial statement,
- 2 A spread sheet to show where the money went.
- 3 The first run of the 1998 budget.

Richard discussed the convention expenses. He also congratulated Doug Huestes for being in charge of the best Convention party that Masters has had. Motion to accept the monthly financial statements. MSP

There was a discussion about setting the Pacific Masters dues. Christine Winn brought up a couple of things about the setting of dues this year. Normally, USMS convention is between the September and October PMS meeting. At convention national dues are set for the year. Also during that time span, the Registrar has to send out renewal notices for clubs and individuals and the next years application has to go into the newsletter.

There was a discussion of who should be setting the dues of Pacific Masters Swimming. Nancy Ridout said that USMS cannot raise the next years dues at convention (at the 1997 convention raising the 1998 dues) unless it was a real emergency.

It was decided to table further discussion of the setting of dues till next month

Richard Smith reviewed the 1998 budget. He said the budget is conservative in projections and investments. He noted that the final amount of the registrars contract cannot be determined until November. Alan Levinson asked that item 1000, "Open Water Points Competition" be changed to "Open Water Budget."

Motion to increase the Open Water Budget (item 1010) by \$100 for subsidy of ambulance at Santa Cruz Pier to Pier swim. MSP

Julie Paque noted that \$100 is in the budget for the replacement of stopwatches that have outlived their useful lives.

Richard also noted that PMS is budgeting \$2,360 for buoys and \$4,000 for a trailer to carry the buoys. In this budget Pacific Masters will be spending \$8,000 more than it will be taking in.

Nancy Ridout said a PMS member would match upto \$4,000 an amount to spend on electronic timing at pool meets. Motion to table until first presented to the Executive Committee and then to the entire committee at the January meeting. MSP Appointed to the ad hoc committee: Carolyn Boak, Greg Spire, Kerry O'Brien, Barry Fasbender, Joel Wilson Rick Windes on Ad Hoc Committee to report in January.

Motion to increase the software \$250 and \$100 for training for Newsletter Editor. MSP

Motion to approve budget with exception of registrar contract. MSP

## Report of the Officers - Christine Winn, Chairman

Discussion of the appointment of the Nomination Committee. Motion to suspend bylaws regarding the Nominating Committee. The bylaws specify the At-Large delegate is to be on the nominating committee. The Registrar will be appointed to the nominating committee. MSP

Christine suggested that the bylaws be amended so the Chairman only have to appoint a member of the executive committee bylaws.

Christine brought up proposed by laws change. (see attached) regarding the Webmaster position.

Q. Are both the Editor and Webmaster entitled to a vote

A, Yes

Christine thanked chairmen and executive committee members who she worked with her over the past year. Thank you notes were passed out. to committee chairman, convention delegates and executive board members.

## Vice President Administration Joan Smith NR

## Vice President Operations Alan Levinson

He said he had a large container filled with information about open waters swims. If anyone needs information about Open Water Swims, contact him.

## Secretary Michael Moore NR

## At Large Doug Huestis

San Mateo High School was very gracious in allowing US Masters to use their pool for workout at convention.. He would like to have Pacific Masters donate to the school \$200. Motion to donate \$200 to San Mateo High School District Water Sports Fund (This will exceed budget by \$100). MSP

## Reports of the Committee Chairmen

### Zone Chairman Richard Smith NR

### Registration and Records. Nancy Ridout

We are way over budget on membership. The congratulations should go to our clubs, they are the ones doing the job. They are the one providing the services the swimmers want.

Nancy has a change in her email address ([nancyridout@mindspring.com](mailto:nancyridout@mindspring.com)) and that Nancy has a USMS telephone number. Nancy thanked Joan Smith who tabulated the relays for the long course Top ten and they delivered to the National tabulator in a timely manner.

## Coaches Polly Upshaw

The Annual Coaches Clinic is at Napa on January 3rd and 4th. For the Masters tract Emmit Hinds will be coming in from Houston. Pablo Morales may be speaking.

## Nominating Committee Nancy Ridout

The following are the nominations for the election of Officers at the 1997 Annual meeting

Julie Paque- Chairman  
Doug Huestis - Vice Chairman Administration  
Barry Fasbender - Vice Chairman Operation  
Joan Alexander Secretary  
Greg Spire - Treasurer  
Alan Levinson - At Large  
The vote for officers will take place at the annual meeting

## Health and Safety Julie Paque

She put brochures on new course by Red Cross on Sports Safety Training. It is accepted as first aid for USS and certifying authorities. She thinks that people will like this course more than standard first aid.

## Hospitality and Equipment Tina Talbot

Kerry brought stop watches from WC to here tonight. Tina will have them until the Reno Winners Meet.

## Legislation and Rules Carolyn Boak

She announced that Nancy put her on the committee to help select inductees in the Masters section of the International Hall of Fame .

## Marketing NR

### Meet Operations Barry Fasbender

The newsletter deadline is Nov 15. For events in Jan, Feb, and Mar. Meet Directors should send to Barry the Sanction Application, the medical form and their meet information sheet.

At the recently held Foothill Classic, 82 swimmers attended The event was first class. The meet directors spend \$350 timing \$300 computer. They lost money on event.

The Sacramento Sprint Pentathlon had 177 swimmers made profit of \$1200.

At the Short Course Meters Championship at Walnut Creek, there was a problem with 800 Meter freestyle. The Sanction was approved with sanction of 48 swimmers (eight heats) in the 800 Free. This information was left out in the newsletter. Since it was Pacific Masters fault, we decided to have as many heats a people entered. There were 11 heats.

Joan Smith thought that the newsletter should have one person to correct content, and one person to proof for typos Julie Paque said that the person checking for facts should get a copy of the background information.

There was talk of sending the proof of the newsletter to the meet director for the meet director to proofread.

## Newsletter Joanne Berven

Her telephone number is 510 294 8247 Fax: 510 294 8269 and email is: nevreb@earthlink.net

## Officials Joan Alexander NR

## Open Water Alan Levinson

Alan said that he is still waiting for financial reports from a couple of teams. At the next meeting he would like to present a season wrap up for the Committee.

Alan said that there was a problem in trying to get the results out. Alan said he is interested in creating a computer program for open water swimming.

Alan spoke with Linda Gilchrist of Alameda Aquatic Masters, who said her team is giving strong consideration to having a swim around Harbor Bay. He told her that if she wants to do that, they should put something in writing and submit it to the committee.

In general, the sanction process is devised months ahead. He gives a conditional sanction. This is given before he has about 80% of the items that he should have. There is no way to pull a sanction if something is radically wrong.

A method of pulling sanctions should be discussed at retreat.

Marcia Benjamin said open water awards will be mailed to her next week. She will have awards for swimmers at next months meeting.

## Scheduling Marcia Benjamin

Three groups are interested in SCM championship

As of now the 1998 Long Course Championship is at Santa Cruz.

There was a discussion on the scheduling conflict on July 18. For an event at Aquatic Park, a date has to be secured date with Coast Guard and National Park service one year in advance. Aquatic Park is probably the most popular facility in the Bay area in terms of where you can swim.

There was a discussion of scheduling more than one event on a given date.

Joe Oakes said that there were more than 2000 people in the various Alcatraz swims. There are a lot of open water swimmers out there that PMS could try to reach.

Motion that if the Olympic Club is agreeable to having the Alcatraz swim on the same day as the Trans Tahoe relay then it may be placed on the schedule. MSP.

Christine said she will contact the Olympic Club, if she is not able to she will pass it off to one of here executive committee members.

Nancy Ridout suggest that if possible to have a bay swim in September or October. The water is at it warmest and the Pacific Masters fees are the lowest of the season. There are also many open dates at that time.

There was a discussion of a Trans Bay Relay last weekend. Joe Oakes said that he was in contact with the Coast Guard. It is was second time that this event was put on. He thinks that it is a safe event. In past we have been turned down twice because of sanctioning. He would like to know if it would be considered in the future.

Alan wanted to know who the event is attracting and how limited it is.

## **Ad Hoc World Wide Web - Michael Moore**

Today, the main page was hit for the 21,800 time. The site is averaging between 4MB and 5MB or transfer a day. Short Course meters championships was put up on line at 6 pm the day of the event.

Michael took pictures of swimmers who had made top ten times in the past 4 years. Carl House of Gold Course would like to put every swimmer who has a top ten time on the web site.

## **Ad hoc USMS Convention**

Julie thanked every one who worked on the committee. She had a lot of volunteers there who were not committee members or delegates.

## **Old Business None**

## **New Business**

Christine Winn asked if anyone interested in having a retreat in the next few months.

Richard Smith reminded all directors to bring all their expense at the next meeting. He wants to pay this years expenses in this years budget.

Michael Moore made a motion for a change in the Meet Operations Manual that would allow meet directors to put results on the web and not be commanded to send results to participating clubs; but send results only clubs that asked specifically for the results. MSP

## **Team Announcement**

Greg Spire, Fog City, Fog city is starting a Masters Water Polo team. There were 22 people at the first workout. All participants will have to become members of US Water Polo.

Kerry O'Brien was thanked for the fine Short Course Meters Championship that Walnut Creek Masters put on.

It was announced that Don Verers is the acting head coach at Davis Aquatic Masters.

## **Adjournment**

## **Motion to adjourn MSP**

**Respectfully submitted.**

**Michael W. Moore, Secretary**