

Minutes of the PNA Board Meeting, February 24, 2009

I. Warm Up

- A. Call to Order and Introductions:** Meeting called to order at 6:55 P.M. at Arni Litt's home. Board members present included Lee Carlson, Kathy Casey, Toby Coenen, Jeanne Ensign, Jan Kavadas, Mike McColly, Arni Litt and Steve Peterson. Lisa Dahl and Sarah Welch called in. Toby Coenen acted as secretary in Jo Moore's absence.
- B. President's Report:** Kathy Casey expressed thanks for PNA's donation in memoriam of her mother; It was noted that five board members were in Hawaii. Ouch.
- C. Minutes: MSA Minutes from January 27, 2009 as corrected.**
- D. Treasurer's Report: MSA Financial Report.** Toby proposed amending the 2009 budget to remove part of the online registration monies. This would eliminate PNA's accounting for the USMS National portion of online registration receipts. This would reduce both the income and expense sides of the budget by \$46,000 from \$64,000 to \$18,000 (all figures approximate). Toby will introduce a motion at the next board meeting to formalize this change.

II. Main Set (Current Action Items):

- A. Ad Hoc Nominating Committee:** Lee and Sarah noted that Kelly Crandell accepted the nomination to be the Board's next Treasurer, and Herb Cook has tentatively accepted the nomination as Secretary. This leaves two holes in the board: Awards and the North-end At-Large position. Some debate as to whether Toby's zip code qualified him for the At-Large position; Sarah to look into. Arni to provide committee with a list of eligible members for both positions. List of Candidates to be out around March 10 – *The WetSet* deadline.
- B. Retreat Plan Review:** No Report.
- C. Club/Team Dev. Task Force:** Sarah noted Rich Seibert is finalizing survey targeting coaches and Team Reps with a goal of identifying how PNA can serve clubs and workout groups. Survey should be available before March board meeting.

III. Technique (New Action Items):

- A. Advertising USMS National Sponsors:** After a lively discussion regarding new national sponsor InfoArmor's request to advertise locally, the Board agreed a PNA advertising policy should wait for direction from the National office, which is expected in the next six months. Suggested Hugh Moore should be involved in this process.
- B. Susan Dearborn Memorial Donation: MSA a motion to donate \$100 to the King County Dispute Resolution Center in memoriam.**
- C. PNA Coach for SC Nationals:** Lisa Dahl reported she received one request for consideration as nationals coach from Shannon Singer. Lisa will push for additional candidates.
- D. Champs Committees:** Formed Protest Committee of Kathy Casey, Jan Kavadas, Steve Peterson and Lee Carlson; and Team Size Committee of Sarah Welch, Jan Kavadas and Walt Reid. Steve also reported that Shona Pierce volunteered the

WWU Masters for Champs; they're tentatively penciled in as safety marshals for the warm-up pool.

IV. Sprint Set (Committee Reports):

- A. Fitness:** Sarah received a request to publicize a May 3rd clinic being offered by Megan Jendrick and Margaret Hoelzer. Uncertain whether this clinic will be open to just USMS members or the public. **MSA a motion authorizing the Fitness Chair to respond to Jendrick indicating PNA will email a notice of the clinic to PNA Coaches and Team Reps, and inform Jendrick of the WetSet advertising availability and rates.**
- B. Registrar:** Several items:
1. 1170 swimmers currently registered.
 2. Club Assistant software not available for online voting of officers.
 3. Provided Mike McColly with promo materials detailing Club Assistant's meet registration and reporting functions. Mike to report at March meeting.
 4. Redhawk Team swimmer is looking for a scholarship to attend Champs. Matter referred to the Wiggin Fund board for consideration.
 5. Skagit Valley YMCA team (SVA) may change their name.
- C. Long Distance:** Sally provided written report including
1. 20 Whidbey Islanders participated in the recent 1-hour postal swim. She was able to assemble 23 relay teams from PNA entrants.
 2. Lisa Kaufman has taken over as meet director for the Padden Open Water Swim; she is preparing an open water bid for PNA sanction.
 3. Liz Rosen has taken over as meet director for the Fat Salmon Water Swim and is also preparing a bid for PNA sanction.
- D. Meets:** Mike reported:
1. NWM wants to submit a SCM meet for November instead of their traditional September Pentathlon. Board expressed no objections to the change.
 2. Mike will follow up with ORCA and verify how their overall meet preparations are proceeding.
 3. Jan was arranging officials for ORCA under the assumption the organizers have not yet done so.
- E. Other**
1. Lisa started a Facebook page as a means of encouraging online networking among PNA and USMS swimmers. Jeanne noted this represented PNA communication not yet formally endorsed by the Board. It was suggested that Lisa introduce a formal proposal to the Pacific NW Aquatics Board at that club's next meeting for consideration.
 2. Steve and Paul to develop a brief biography of Marion Chadwick for eventual inclusion in *The WetSet*.

Meeting adjourned at 8:36 P.M.