

Minutes: PNA Board Meeting, June 23, 2009

Approved August 25, 2009

I Warm Up

A. Call to Order & Introductions. President Steve Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:50 PM at Jan Kavadas' condominium meeting room in Edmonds. Present were Lee Carlson, Kathy Casey, Herb Cook, Cathy Cooley, Lisa Dahl, Sally Dillon, Jeanne Ensign, Jan Kavadas, Arni Litt, Hugh Moore, Jane Moore, Steve Peterson and Sarah Welch.

B. President's Report. Steve reported that he had signed, on behalf of PNA, a petition urging the University of Washington to reinstate the men's and women's varsity swimming programs. Arni also signed the petition. Jeanne wrote to UW as a USMS national board member and past president of PNA.

C. Minutes. Minutes of the May 26 Board Meeting were approved as corrected.

D. Treasurer's Report. Deferred until the July 28 Board meeting in the absence of Treasurer Kelly Crandell. MSA to approve Kelly Crandell, Sarah Welch and Steve Peterson as authorized signatories for PNA's checking and savings accounts.

II Main Set (Current Action Items)

A. Club/Team Development Survey. Jeanne reported that she, Lisa, Steve and Rich Seibert had conferred and agreed on three focus areas to meet the expressed need of PNA coaches for assistance in developing coaching skills:

1) Add a tab on the PNA website offering resources for coaches and links to online resources of the American Swim Coaches Association (ASCA).

2) Add a "Coaches' Corner" feature to the WetSet.

3) Offer a PNA Coaches Clinic. Lynn Wells and Shannon Singer have expressed interest in conducting a clinic. Lisa offered to coordinate planning and find a suitable date.

B. Hannula Clinic. MSA that PNA pay the registration fee and the cost of ASCA level 2 certification for any PNA coaches attending the Northwest Swim Coaches' Clinic, directed by Dick Hannula, at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, September 18-19

III Technique (New Action Items)

A. Convention Delegates from Smaller LMSCs. MSA that PNA contribute \$500 toward the expenses of Delegates from Smaller Northwest Zone LMSCs to the USMS Convention in Chicago, Sept. 16-20; and that PNA challenge Oregon Masters to match or beat PNA's contribution.

B. Meet Bid Packet 2009-2010. Meets Committee Chairs Lee and Cathy presented the bid packet, including changes to a draft previously received by some Board members. Kathy Casey stressed that certification of pool length should be on file before a meet is sanctioned. MSA to approve the bid packet as discussed and amended.

C. PNA Retreat Planning. The Board agreed by consensus to schedule a PNA Retreat on **Saturday, October 24**, facilitated by Ethan Smith.

D. LMSC Minimum Standards. The Board briefly discussed the Draft LMSC Minimum Standards document dated June 9, 2009. No action was taken, pending USMS adoption of final standards.

E. Clinic Planning. No report.

F. USMS Service Awards. Steve requested that Board members send him nominations by e-mail for the 2009 Dorothy Donnelly USMS Service Award. (Recent PNA recipients have included Tom Foley and Sarah Welch in 2008; Arni Litt and Steve Peterson in 2007; Kathy Casey, Hugh Moore and Walt Reid in 2006; Lee Carlson and Jan Kavadas in 2005.)

IV Sprint Set (Committee Reports)

A. Membership. Arni reported 1,417 PNA members as of June 22.

B. Meets. MSA to approve a date change for BAMFest 2009 (Bainbridge Aquatic Masters) from October 17 to October 10.

Lee reported that the Northwest Senior Games meet at Peter Kirk Pool in Kirkland on June 20 was well-run and enjoyed good weather.

C. Open Water. Sally reported registration was full (300 swimmers) for the Fat Salmon swim on Lake Washington on July 18.

Seattle Parks and Recreation is offering Open Water Clinics during July and August at Green Lake and Madison Beach (schedule available at www.Seattle.gov/Parks/aquatics.)

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 PM.

Next Meetings

July 28: Yesler Community Center

August 25: Yesler Community Center