

Minutes: PNA Board Meeting, August 25, 2009

I Warm Up

A. Call to Order & Introductions. President Steve Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:50 PM at Yesler Community Center. Present were Herb Cook, Jeanne Ensign, Tom Foley, Arni Litt, Hugh Moore, Jane Moore, Steve Peterson, Walt Reid, Sarah Welch and Margo Tambellini, a representative from Seattle Athletic Club / Northgate.

B. President's Report. Steve reported on his participation in the Arms Around Bainbridge swim and the National Senior Games at Stanford University.

C. Minutes. Minutes of the June 23 and July 28 Board meetings were approved.

D. Treasurer's Report. Sarah reported that Kelly Crandell had resigned as Treasurer, and Sarah had delivered the PNA checkbook to Immediate Past Treasurer and current At-Large Board Member Toby Coenen.

MSA that Jeanne Ensign be elected Treasurer, without check signatory authority, for the balance of Kelly's term.

MSA that the President and not more than two additional Board members selected by the Board, excluding the Treasurer, have signatory authority.

MSA that Sarah Welch and Toby Coenen be the two additional signatories.

II Main Set (Current Action Items)

A. Legislation Items for Convention. Board members discussed key proposals to be presented at the USMS Convention in Chicago, Sept. 16-20, including adoption of Minimum Standards for Local Masters Swimming Committees (LMSCs); elimination of the Zone Committee (but not Zone Chairs); creation of a new LMSC Development Committee; and division of the Open Water and Long Distance Committee into separate committees.

B. PNA Retreat (October 24). Sarah reported that she and Lisa Dahl would host a Retreat planning meeting on Sept. 13. Arni reported that the University of Washington has been selected as the Retreat site.

C. Revised Bylaws. Jane updated the Board on proposed amendments to the PNA Bylaws. After discussion, Board members agreed that voting by proxy should not be permitted in PNA elections. Jane advised the Board that the proposed repeal of the PNA Constitution requires a 2/3 majority vote by at least 25 percent of registered PNA members, and amending the Bylaws requires a simple majority vote by at least 30 percent of registered PNA members. Board members agreed the votes should coincide with PNA's annual membership renewal cycle.

D. Club/Team Development. Steve reported interest among USMS Clubs, YMCA Chapters and public officials in inviting Mel Goldstein, national USMS Club and Coach Services coordinator, to visit Seattle early in 2010.

MSA to reimburse Lisa Dahl for mileage to participate in Mel Goldstein's Club Development seminar in Oregon on October 10.

III Technique (New Action Items)

A. Newsletter. Steve reported that Paul Freeman has submitted his resignation after six commendable years as Editor of the WetSet, but agreed to continue until a successor has been recruited and trained.

IV Sprint Set (Committee Reports)

A. Membership. Arni reported 1,485 PNA members as of August 24.

B. Meets. Upcoming: BAMFest OCT 10; North Whidbey NOV 22.

C. Open Water. Sally Dillon reported by e-mail that six PNA swimmers participated in the 5k/10k Postal Swim in the South Kitsap School District's 50-meter pool on August 23. Jeanne reported revenue declined for Fat Salmon (Lake Washington / July 18) because no late registrations were accepted, but the event will come close to breaking even because PNA has agreed to waive its \$1.75-per-swimmer fee.

V Warmdown (Next Meetings)

SEP 29: Yesler Community Center

OCT 24: Board Retreat, University of Washington Fisheries Science Building

OCT 27: Yesler Community Center

DEC 01: Board Meeting & Potluck Dinner @ Arni Litt's?

JAN 26: Yesler Community Center

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:50 PM.