

Minutes: PNA Board Meeting, June 29, 2011

I Warm Up

A. Call to Order & Introductions. President Lisa Dahl called the meeting to order at 7:00PM in the meeting room of Hugh & Jane Moore's home in Tacoma. Present were Kathy Casey, Herb Cook, Lisa Dahl, Sally Dillon, Jeanne Ensign, Michael Grimm, Arni Litt, Hugh Moore, Jane Moore, Wendy Neely, Walt Reid, Rich Seibert and Sarah Welch.

B. President's Report. None.

C. Minutes. Minutes of the May 17 Board meeting were approved as corrected.

D. Treasurer's Report. Jeanne Ensign presented PNA financial statements through May, noting that PNA remains in strong financial condition with net year-to-date income of about \$11,000, cash assets of about \$52,000 and no liabilities. **MSA: To approve Financial Statements as submitted.**

E. Membership. Membership Chair Arni Litt reported PNA membership was 1,463 as of June 29.

III Sprint Set (Committee Reports) Moved up on Agenda

A. Meets. Sally Dillon presented a revised Meet Sanction Application form and a revised Meet Sanction Information document (both appended by reference to these Minutes). After discussion and further revision, it was **MSA: To approve the Meet Sanction Application form;** and **MSA: To approve the Meet Sanction Information document.**

B. Open Water. Sally Dillon reported evaluators are needed for the AquaRun swim (Tacoma, August 7), the Saratoga Passage Swim (Whidbey Island, August 20) and the Last Gasp of Summer swim (Angle Lake, SeaTac, September 17). Sally also reported on preparations and entry procedures for the USMS National Championship 5k/10k Postal Swims, July 24 at King County Aquatic Center, Federal Way.

C. Coaches. Lisa Dahl reported that three PNA coaches may attend the ASCA World Clinic, September 6-11 in San Diego.

Lisa requested that the Board authorize the Coaches Committee to explore bringing an ASCA Regional Clinic to Seattle October 21-22, conducted by a visiting coach and by Lisa as a USMS Club Development staff member. Lisa noted that although USMS receives the revenue from a Regional Clinic, the host LMSC must pay for the venue. After discussion, it was **MSA: To authorize an overbudget expense up to \$2,000 (Coach & Club Development) for an ASCA Regional Clinic.**

After further discussion, it was **MSA: To change the date of PNA's annual Board Retreat from October 22 to October 29, to avoid a conflict with the proposed ASCA Regional Clinic.**

II Main Set (Current Action Items)

A. Website Update. Sarah Welch reported the target date to "go live" with the redesigned PNA website is September 1. After discussion of alternatives for managing the site, Lisa agreed to talk with Steve Peterson about Steve's interest in becoming Webmaster.

B. Corporate Calendar. After explaining the uses of the proposed PNA Corporate Calendar for tracking recurring events, tasks and responsibilities, Rich Seibert agreed to coordinate the Calendar and solicited additional Board input.

C. Strategic Plan & Standing Agreements. Deferred for consideration at a future meeting.

D. Northwest Zone Update. None.

E. PNA LMSC v PNA Club. Sarah Welch reported that Jane Moore had located the By-laws and most recent Minutes for Pacific Northwest Aquatics (the Club). Jeanne Ensign is listed as President, Jane Moore as Secretary-Treasurer and Arni Litt as a Director. Sarah reported that Oregon Masters has a work plan for separating the finances and governance of the Club from those of the LMSC, as required by USMS. In order for the Club and the LMSC to have separate budgets and revenues in 2012, separation planning should be completed by September, 2011.

Hugh Moore expressed his opinion that it should not be the responsibility of the LMSC to revive and restructure the Club: "Aquatics needs to fix Aquatics." It was noted that Blue Wave Aquatics (formerly Federal Way Masters) may seek recognition as a Club by the end of 2011. Arni Litt asked how annual dues and fees might be assessed by or assigned to the LMSC and the Club, respectively. Herb Cook suggested that the Club might exist as a "shadow" entity, separate from the LMSC in name only. Sarah opposed that idea, saying the two entities should be "really separate" before 2012 budgets are approved. Sally Dillon agreed with Sarah.

When it became clear that Board members would not reach consensus, Lisa moved to table the matter for consideration at a future meeting.

F. USMS Convention Delegate List. PNA attendees will include Rich Seibert, Wendy Neely, Lisa Dahl and Arni Litt (all appointed by PNA); Walt Reid (at large, liaison to the International Swimming Hall of Fame); Hugh Moore, Jane Moore, Sally Dillon, Jeanne Ensign, Sarah Welch and Kathy Casey (by virtue of their USMS offices).

IV Warmdown (Next Meetings)

August 23: 6:45PM at Jeanne Ensign's in Seattle

October 29: 9AM-4PM at Sally Dillon's in Issaquah

December 8: 6PM at Arni Litt's in Seattle

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:05 PM.