

# AZ LMSC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Sunday, September 21, 2008

**PLACE:** Conference Call

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** 3:06p.m.

**ATTENDEES:** Doug Adamavich ,Kim Bernard, Paul Cate, Gordon Gillin, R.A. Mitchell, Jim Serio, Rick Shaeffer, Jim Sites

**ABSENT:** Dan Gruender, Edie Gruender, Katy James, Simon Percy, Mark Rankin

**Review of last meeting's minutes:** Gordon submitted changes (misspelling). Minutes approved unanimous as revised.

## Committee Reports:

### Treasurer:

Kim Bernard: Balance as of July 31: \$8333.96 in money market account; \$26145.04 in checking; total deposits: ~\$1500; 5 checks written (~\$2200, \$1487 in USMS dues). Unable to reconstruct 2008 YTD.

Brief discussion on issues of reimbursement. Upcoming liabilities: Doug: open water event medals, Jim Sites: relay expenses for Long Beach (~\$100-\$300).

R.A. Mitchell asked Kim if address was changed for deposit slips. Bank account was changed but not the deposit slips (address should be: 2400 E Biltmore Circle).

### Competition:

Doug: Nothing to report.

Paul Cate asked if there is still a short course meet scheduled in USMS open meet. (from last meeting: Jim Sites at UA - possible short course meters in October if pool construction is completed). End of September of next year for short course meet.

### Communication:

June Hussey not present.

### Membership:

R.A. Mitchell: 819 swimmers registered. Credit card/check breakdown: 202 credit card payments, 625 cashed checks. 110 independent swimmers. September through November this year: 15 checks.

Paul Cate: USMS form (2009) does not show reduced rates after date X. Set 1 – Oct 31 (\$20 AZ, USMS \$8). Doug to check on this and update the form. Paul Cate uses the reduced rate as incentive to help increase membership late in the year.

## **New Business:**

Doug: Formally submit Kim Bernard and Jim Serio as Secretary and Treasurer respectively until the remaining calendar year. Doug motioned. Gordon seconded. No other discussion. Unanimous approval of Jim Serio and Kim Bernard to remain for the remainder of 2008.

Upcoming elections 2009 (Jim Sites / Rick Shaeffer): Discussion of the following positions: Secretary: Jim Serio; Registrar: Mitch, Rayanne Reynolds, Rane Clements; Treasurer: Eddie Mylan (Kim OK with no nomination; Kim to work with Eddie in transition); Chair: Judy Gillies, Doug Adamavich. Paul asked if we need profiles for each candidate to assist with voting. Doug to send out ballots Nov 1 – will include profiles in the packet. Mitch asked who to send profiles to. Doug requests that all profiles be sent to Jim Serio. Talk to Katherine and/or June to mail out ballots. Gordon Gillin moves that we accept the list of candidates for 2009. Doug seconds. All in favor. Slate of candidates has been accepted as read.

Grander(sp?) Awards Committee: (may be unresolved business for next meeting). Names for award: Max Vonlsser, Phil Whitton, Simon Percy (not officially nominated – recommended by Paul for at least a special award). Doug recommended Paul to “run with it” and see about a plaque or some monetary donation to ASU swimming for Simon’s efforts with saving ASU swimming. Paul says he received interest in this but it may not be applicable for LMSC. Discussion for Simon Percy tabled until next meeting.

### **Additional Budget Items (Doug):**

Bag Tags: See attachment. Doug found at nationals. Doug received 1000 bag tags without approving purchase. He approved the design but did not expect to receive them. Doug asked to approve purchase. 3”x4” black on gold with swimmer logo. White on back for contact info. 95 cents each. Total was \$1033 with s/h. Gordon moves for approval to pay. Paul seconds. All in favor. No opposition.

Jason Lezak swimming clinics: Opportunity arose at long course nationals. 2 events in Phoenix. 2 events in Tucson in late Nov. \$1000 deposit required. Doug proposes to sell tickets to the swim clinics. Also t-shirts and swim caps. Simon says Jason to give talk at ASU swim fundraiser. Simon Percy to contribute some of the proceeds to the LMSC event. Total cost is \$11,000 (flight, hotel, appearance fees, etc). June (Tucson) will pay entire fees for Tucson. Phoenix will be two clinics and fundraising dinner. 50 people at Phoenix and Brophy will cover full cost. Kim requests an outline of the projected outcome and expenses before we vote. Says this is all very confusing. Gordon agreed. Rick asked if we could also see if age group will be interested. Doug says Jason is more of a Master’s swimmer. June is charging \$60 for brunch, \$60 for clinic or both for \$100. Clinics are 2hrs. Format will be both in/out of pool. Doug will schedule conference call with Paul Carter (who is setting this up) to answer more questions. Decision is needed within 2 weeks. Kim says we can vote online if we receive some sort of outline with the program and costs. Doug to work with June Hussey to see what her plans are. Tabled.

### **Software:**

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MS Visio: \$150 – Flowcharting and forms.

Flypaper: \$95/year - Templates for information distribution. Rick motioned to purchase it.

dotProject: \$100/year

Kim is all for technology but wants those who use it to teach others how to use it. Doug should take responsibility to ensure others know how to use it.

Rick motioned to approve payments. Paul seconded. \$345. All in favor.

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**2009 Dues (Doug):**

Current dues: \$38/year (\$25/USMS, \$13 LMSC). USMS raised dues by \$5 from \$20 to \$25. Board decided not to increase dues. Amount went from \$18 to \$13 that we kept. USMS is discussing raising dues by \$2/year from 2010 to 2018. USMS reasoning is that more dues will increase staff and available member services. Doug asks if we raise dues and if so, by how much? Doug references his dues worksheet (see attached). Doug: Is the objective to raise more money or maintain stability for members? Pau asks about strategy among the three proposed scenarios. Scenario C increases the most upfront but offers stability for members over 5 years. Rick asked if the increase would be affordable by swimmers and if an increase would decrease membership. Mitchell says we need to proceed cautiously. Kim says a case can be made either way. Doug wouldn't be opposed to raising fees to \$20 but we should table this until USMS makes a decision. Rick says go for \$45 and roll the dice (no motion). Paul and Kim think \$45 is a good number. Gordon motions to vote on \$45. Paul wants to clarify these changes are for 2009 dues only. Kim seconds. 2009 dues of \$49 (USMS: \$25, AZLMSC \$20) approved. Projected revenue: \$16,000 annual.

**Next Meeting:**

Doug proposes Sunday, October 26 via conference call. Gordon asked what the costs were for the annual USMC conference. Doug says costs are \$900-\$1200 per attendee (Laure, Doug, Judy). Gordon moves to adjourn the meeting again until October 26.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:** 4:21pm.