

Minutes of Executive Committee Conference Call - October 29, 2000

1. Convention Reflections.

Topics discussed: (a) Good feedback from delegates was received at the Sunday morning session. (b) The Thursday agenda needs to be redone. (c) Were delegates given enough time to be familiar/comfortable with the stipends for Professional Management? (d) Delegates should be included in discussions via e-mail or on the website prior to the convention. (e) It was good that the Executive Committee had time to attend the Zone meetings. (f) Preparation/homework was done which made the convention run smoothly. (g) If we have "focus" groups next year, the topics should be by LMSC job. (h) A social should be included in the schedule. NO ACTION.

2. Mid Year Meeting.

Dates (Sat, Sun, Mon - Jan 13,14,15) and location (Ft Lauderdale, Houston, Austin) for the meetings were discussed. ACTION: The dates were agreed on (January 13-15); Nancy will look into arrangements available at the various locations.

3. MBNA.Contract.

Negotiations are continuing, but are not complete. We are still negotiating over our deal breaking issue concerning a ban on telemarketing. If we cannot reach agreement on this issue, we will have to walk away from the deal per the sense of the HOD in Orlando. Jeanne C. and Nancy are handling negotiations; will keep the rest of the Executive Committee apprised. NO ACTION.

4. Executive Committee Liaisons to the Committees.

Lynn Hazlewood will take over committees assigned to Hugh Moore last year with one exception. Lynn will be the Liaison for Long Distance. Betsy Durrant will be the Liaison for Officials and Jeanne Ensign will be the Liaison for Rule Book. All other liaison assignments remain the same. ACTION TAKEN: Committee liaisons reassigned as above.

5. Nominating Committee.

Lynn explained briefly the way that the Nominating Committee (Zone Committee) expects to use the website to provide information about the candidates and the process. ACTION: Lynn asked each officer to send her a description of their job so that potential candidates can know what the job(s) requires.

6. Sponsor Liaison.

Mel is working on guidelines for the USMS booth display. The Parks and Recreation Convention in March is to feature Masters Swimming. Jim Wheeler will present a workshop and develop a brochure. Mel and Tom Boak will help Jim. NO ACTION

7. Privacy Policy.

Legal Counsel and the Legal Counselors Committee have finalized a Privacy Policy. Jeanne expects to have it published shortly.

8. 2001 Convention Schedule.

This schedule will be developed at the mid-year meeting. NO ACTION.

9. Other issues.

A request from a candidate for office was made for the minutes of Executive Committee meetings. ACTION: It was decided not to send minutes to one candidate. This decision can be reconsidered when the nominations are in.

R22 requires that at least a post card be sent to clubs about relay entries. This is to go into effect Jan 1. This cannot be changed; the Executive Committee cannot over-rule Rules voted by the House of Delegates. NO ACTION.

Championship bids (including dates) should be sent to the delegates prior to the convention. NO ACTION.

Respectively submitted,
Betsy Durrant, USMS Secretary