

USMS Convention—Atlanta, Ga. 2008

Committee Name: Breadbasket Zone	Session #: 1	Report #: n/a
Committee Chair: Anthony Thompson	Vice Chair:	
Minutes recorded by: Anna Lea Roof	Date/time of meeting: 9/24/08, 8:30am	

Action Items:

- 1.

Number of committee members present: 16	Absent:	Number of other delegates present:
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Anthony Thompson, Lori Payne, Cathy Kohn, Anna Lea Roof, Richard Hess, Rebecca Friedlander, Heather Hagadorn, Kim Crouch, Morgan Edwards, Susan Nolte, Bruce Hopson, Jim Matysek, Laurie Reaburn, Erin Sullivan, Jim Elder, Marcia Anziano, Will Amos		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:32am.

1. Nominations were solicited for the position of USMS At-Large Director from the Breadbasket Zone. No floor nominations were presented. A vote was held to ratify the candidacy of Anthony Thompson, whose nominated had been previously submitted. The vote passed.
2. Nominations were solicited for the USMS Breadbasket Zone representative. Morgan Edwards and Lori Payne were nominated. Voting was done by paper ballot. The vote was in favor of Lori Payne.
3. The current At-Large Director, Anna Lea Roof, gave a brief report on the activities of the Board of Directors over the past year.
4. Anthony gave a report on the Zone's activities over the past year. He thanked the Colorado LMSC for "adopting" the Wyoming LMSC and absorbing it into the Colorado LMSC. Marcia Anziano reported that the membership from Wyoming swimmers had increased, partly because they are not being kept informed about meets and activities in the region. The discussion continued with questions and comments about the advantages and disadvantages of our zone's boundaries. The Colorado LMSC is so far geographically from the rest of the LMSC that it is difficult to encourage active participation in an annual zone meet.
5. Will Amos reported that the 2008 Breadbasket Zone meet, held in Denver, went well, but out of 393 swimmers only 10 came from outside the Colorado LMSC.
6. 2009 Breadbasket Zone meet: Missouri Valley is next on the rotation list. Missouri Valley is trying to secure a pool right now and is looking at the possibility of a new pool in Gladstone, Missouri (Kansas City area). Colorado's state meet will be held the weekend of April 3-5.
7. The future meet rotation is currently set up as follows:
 - a. 2009: Missouri Valley
 - b. 2010: Nebraska
 - c. 2011: Minnesota
 - d. 2012: Ozark
 - e. 2013: Iowa
8. Cathy Kohn, a member of the Rules Committee, gave a brief overview of some of the proposed rules changes that will be discussed in the House of Delegates.
9. Old business: Zone meet records. These used to be kept by Wayde Mulhern. Jim Matysek commented that a future project for the USMS meet results database will include the ability to keep sets of records within the database.

10. New business: Erin Sullivan stated that probably the biggest event in our zone was the 2008 Olympic Trials, held in Omaha.
11. New business: Lori Payne commented on the new USMS branding task force. She said that the focus is to try to change our image to attract more than just the traditional competitive pool swimmers. Heather Hagadorn said that their membership has increased due to open water swims. They offer regular open water workouts at five different venues.
12. Lori Payne mentioned that the University of Iowa in Iowa City is building a new 8-lane, 50 meter pool with a separate diving well.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 a.m.
