

USMS CONVENTION – DALLAS, TEXAS - 2002

Committee Name: DIXIE ZONE

ACTION ITEMS

MSA- The Dixie Zone committee voted to establish a written policy of guidelines for submitting times for Dixie Zone records.

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Committee Chair: June Krauser

Vice Chair (Recorder): Lisa Watson

Total delegates attending this meeting: 30

Committee Members present: June Krauser, Jude Bourque, Eddie Ames, Randy Nutt, Debbie Cavanaugh, Lisa Watson, Meg Haviland, Joe Kurtzman, Margie Hutingler, George Simon, Gayle Tanner, Carl House, Tom Bliss, Sean Fitzgerald, Karol Welling, Hill Carrow, Bill Cleveland, Viki Tracy, James Enyart, Joan Campbell, Dotty Whitcomb, Stu Marvin, Jerry Clark, Sally Menk, Rob Copeland, Vicki Buccino, Bret Hamlin, Ed Saltzman, Meegan Wilson.

MINUTES

Time Meeting Called to Order: 12:10 PM Saturday, Sept 14

1. INTRODUCTION-Chair June Krauser had all Dixie Zones introduce themselves.
2. ZONE SPECIFIC TASKS-
 - A. Financial report-enclosed with meeting agenda. There was discussion regarding the Executive Committee's recommendation that FOG be amended for zone dues collection and disbursement. Members voiced concern that this would make the process much more difficult, and that it would be preferable to continue letting each zone take care of their own finances.
 - B. Newsletters-continue to published in a timely manner.
 - C. Top Ten Times- the committee commended Dick Brewer for handling Dixie Zone Top Ten Times.
 - D. Records-**MSA-The committee voted to establish a written policy of guidelines for submitting times for Dixie Zone records.** Records Chair Ed Saltzman and the Dixie Zone Top Ten Recorders will comprise this committee.
 - E. Zone meets-it was noted that we have one more 2002 Zone meet left-SCM in Anderson, SC.
 - F. Top Ten Patches-Debbie Cavanaugh said that we are in good shape with patches. LMSCs were encouraged to continually remind their LMSCs that they are eligible for patches when they make Dixie Zone Top Ten.
3. ZONE ACTIVITIES FOR 2002-2003
 - A. Championship Meet bids- **MSA- The Dixie Zone Committee awarded Dixie Zone Championships to the following bids for 2003: SCY-Savannah; SCM-Marietta, Ga; Open Water-Carter's Lake.** Dates will be as follows: SCY-April 26&27; SCM-December 6&7; Open Water- July 19. No bid was as yet awarded for LC. St Petersburg, Baton Rouge, and Greenville,SC are possibilities.
 - B. 2003 Calendar-tentative calendar established for 2003 events.

January-	4	Summerville, SC	SCY
	25&26	Charlotte, NC	SCY
February-	1-	Brentwood, Tn	SCY
	8&9-	CAT Masters	SCY
	15&16	Auburn, AL	SCY
	21&22	Ft Lauderdale, FI	SCY
March-	15&16	Atlanta, Ga-	St Patrick's Day SCY Inv
April-	4-6	St Petersburg, FI	SCY
	24-27	Y Nationals-	Sarasota, FI
	26&27	DIXIE ZONE SCY CHAMPIONSHIPS-	Savannah, Ga

May-	3&4	Raleigh, NC	SCY
	3	Brunswick, Ga	Open Water
June-	7	Classic City Masters-UGA LC	
	8	Ft Lauderdale LC	
July-	6-	Ft Lauderdale LC	
	19	DIXIE ZONE OPEN WATER CHAMPIONSHIPS- Carter's Lake, Ga	
	25-27	Brunswick, Ga LC	
	26	Raleigh, NC LC	
August-	nothing scheduled as yet		
September-	6	Buford Dam Open Water	Buford, Ga
	20	Peachtree City, Ga	SCY
October	TBA	Orlando, Fl	SCM
November	TBA	Anderson, SC	SCM
December	6&7	DIXIE ZONE SCM CHAMPIONSHIPS- Marietta, Ga	

4. Coaches Mentor Program- Scott Rabalais encouraged the LMSCs to take advantage of the Coaches Mentor Clinics which will provide each zone with a dual clinic for coaches and swimmers. Randy Nutt encouraged the LMSCs to also take advantage of the Open Water Clinics, which can pay \$500 to bring someone in to conduct a clinic.
5. Future Direction of Zones- our members felt that the Dixie Zone was thriving and hoped this trend continues.
6. Discussion of "hot" convention topics- the new block format was discussed. On the positive side, it was a new idea and was conceived to promote interaction between committees. The big downside was that there was not enough time allocated for committees to conduct their own business. Also, with similar committees together in the block format, it made it impossible for someone with similar interests to attend different committee meetings. One member suggested that if the block format continues, the committees should meet first, then come back in a group for discussion.
7. New Business- Scott Rabalais was congratulated for bringing LC Nationals to the Dixie Zone, since Savannah was awarded the LC bid for 2004!

Time Meeting Was Adjourned: 1:32 PM

TASKS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR

1. The Records subcommittee will work on devising the new policy for records submission.