

Committee Name:	Long Distance	Session #:	1	Report #:	1
Committee Chair:	Ali Hall	Vice Chair:	Phyllis Quinn		
Minutes recorded by:	Lorena Sims	Date/time of meeting:	12/03/17 @ 8:00 ET		

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None

Motions Passed:

- 1.

Number of committee members present: 17	Absent: 0	Number of other delegates present: 4
<p>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Ali Hall (Chair), Phyllis Quinn (Vice Chair), Lorena Sims, Catherine Rust, Robin Smith, David Brancamp, Jim Davidson, Janine Serell, Matt Miller, Stephen Rouch, Josie Palmerin, Sarah King, Laurie Hug, Alana Aubin, James Biles, Bob Singer, and Jill Wright. Ex-Officio Members Present: Casey Keiber, Jay Eckert, David Miner, and Donn Livoni. Absent: Bill Brenner, Bob Bruce. Others: None.</p>		

Agenda

Long Distance Committee

The meeting was called to order at 8:02pm ET:

1. Welcome and roll call
2. Round Table Introduction (please let the team know your LMSC, what drew you to the LDC and any one quick fact you would like others to know about you)
3. Approval of any outstanding minutes (none)
4. Reports from the chair (Ali) and vice chair (Phyllis) and vice president (Donn)
 - **Chair:** Nothing to report except what's on the forum.
 - **Vice Chair:** Open water timeline still had Traci Grilli's name on it on the open water timeline on line 60. Need to make this correction.
 - **Vice President:** EC and BOD have met. Moving on updates to the website – rollout should be around January-February. Winter BOD is in February, topics will be discussing budget and updating on committees. Budget is currently looking ok with a nice group of returning members.
5. Working groups – reports (please send your report to all in advance)
 - a. 2017 OWNC: Last Gasp of Summer Update
Event is complete. The financials are done. Evaluation is submitted. Bond should be refunded.
 - b. 2017 5k/10k ePostal Update;
Greta has retired. Medals have been sent. Championship results forms need to be completed and proofed for posting. Liaisons will complete review prior to evaluation and requesting bond return.
 - c. 2017 3000/6000 ePostal Update
Relays will be completed on Tuesday, 12/5.
 - d. 2018 Rules/Legislation – Bob B. lead; Donn, Lorena, Janine. Bob S., Robin, Matt. All will be involved during the spring.
Bob posted on the Forum that he has been gathering bits and pieces for discussion this year. He expressed regret at being unable to attend this call and looks forward to collaborating. He is grateful for the group of interested LDC volunteers joining the working group.

- e. PARA – Jim, lead: (Patches & Awards – ___ & ___; All-Americans (AA) - Men – ___; (AA) Women - ___; (AA) Relays - ___ & ___; Records - Jill & __, All-Stars – Laurie & ___; Postal Series – ___ & Laurie; Checkers – ____, ____, Lorena & Josie
Sub-committee members have been identified. Assignment of responsibilities is in progress. Need to assign someone for Patches & Awards.
- f. Club Assistant – Lorena, ___ & ____.
Nothing to report.
- g. Safety (as needed) – David M., lead; Bob B., Jim, Josie, ___
Four events sanctioned for next year to date. Nothing else to report.
- h. Documents – Matt, lead; ____, ___ (ePostal Guide – Matt, Bob B., Jill & ____). (OW Champs Guide - Matt & ____)
Please, event liaisons, double-check your timelines and championship packets prior to sending them to the event hosts.
- i. 2020 NC Recruitment/Selection – Jill, lead; Josie, Janine, Robin, Matt, ____
Bid letter and bid form need to be completed and sent out in early 2018, but is otherwise on hold until spring 2018.
- j. Communications — Laurie, lead; Matt
Nothing specific to report.
- k. NC Oversight - Ali, lead; Phyllis, Bob B., Matt, David M.
All contracts are signed. Liaisons and Back Ups are connected to events. Championship Packets and Timelines are said to be in progress. Liaisons and backups will be reaching out to hosts once documents are in order. OWNC liaisons will be identifying their expected travel expenses by 12/28/17.
- l. Goals – Phyllis, lead; Lorena, Robin, Bob S., Matt, ___
Considering starting an FAQ for LDNC and open water. Considering encouraging relays in OWNC events. Please feel free to contact Phyllis with your ideas - she will start a discussion with the working group and LDC on this topic. Will report to LDC at December 28 CC.

Below is a list of the 2018 LD NC events and the liaisons assigned.

- Jim McConnell Lake Swim, Reston VA (2 miles) May 27
 - Liaison: Josie Backup: Alana
 Nothing to report at this time.
- Eclipse Cross Roads, Makanda, IL (1 mile) June 9
 - Liaison: Donn Backup: Catherine
 Event hosts have been contacted. Their contract has been signed and they are forwarding the bond. They seem to be very much on top of things.
- Fire Island Charity Swim, Fire Island, NY (5k) July 7
 - Liaison: Laurie Back Up: Janine
 Nothing to report.
- Portland Bridges, Portland, OR (10.7 miles) July 8
 - Liaison: Ali Back Up: Matt
 We are working with the event host to have bond, sanction, entry form and posting details in order; the host would like to open registration Jan. 1.

- Foster Lake Cable Swim, Sweet Home, OR (2 miles) July 12
 - Liaison: Phyllis Back Up: Robin
 Nothing to report at this time.

- Applegate Lake, Jacksonville, OR (10k) July 14
 - Liaison: Jill Back Up: Dave B.
 Nothing to report at the moment.

- OHeP: Indy Aquatic Masters
 - Liaisons: Lorena, Jill Back Up: Sarah
 From James Biles on the Forum, in order to transition liaison duties for this event: Merchandising preps should be completed this week. The draft online entry form is available but not yet updated. Major changes this year that need to be reflected on the entry include:

The deadline for registration/entry is one day after the swim time frame. In past years, it was up to 10 days after event time period to swim. It is now the day after this so we can get results out to members sooner. Since the event time frame is Jan 1st - Feb 28th, the entry deadline is March 1st.

Group entries by clubs will be permitted (30+ swimmer only). The event host needs to add verbiage that clubs desiring to do group entries must contact the host and work with CA to enter their swimmers. Also include a reminder that group swims should be swum so that all entries can be completed by the deadline of March 1st. There will be no exceptions to extend beyond this deadline.

Remember that waivers are no longer required for the postal events per rules passed by the HOD at convention (Rules 202.1.1 and 204.1 apply).

- 5,000M/10,000M ePostal: Chicago Smelts
 - Liaison: Jim Back Up: Bob S.
 Nothing to report at this time.
- 3,000/6,000 ePostal: MEMO (Oakland, CA)
 - Liaison: Lorena Back Up: Stephen
 Event hosts have been contacted.

Other business for the good of the order:

James reminds event liaisons to be mindful of the changes made for 2018 events, especially as regards entry timelines. These are addressed above in the 2018 OHeP report.

Next Call – **Thursday, December 28**, with times of 8 PM ET, 7 PM CT, 6 PM MT, 5 PM PT

Adjourned: 8:57p ET