## NEW AND IMPROVED OCEANA ZONE MINUTES

Saturday, September, 21, 1991

8:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Louisville, Kentucky

Present: J. Wheeler, Chairman, D. Schawb, R. Windes, C Boak, T. Boak, R. Burns, B. Barthold, B. Dick, M. Collins, H. Winn, C. Winn, C. Schulbach, G. Cunningham, T. Cunningham, L. Val, D. Gray, N. Ridout, S. Dillon plus the newly formed northwest and southwest zones members.

Called to Order at 8:35 a.m. by Kathy Casey

Farewells and applause for Kathy for all her work in the past. The new zones split up for their respective meetings and voted to reassemble at 9:40 a.m. to discuss important legislative issues.

Elections were held for a new zone chair, J. Wheeler and B. Dick were nominated, J. Wheeler was elected Chairman of the newly realigned Oceana Zone.

Agenda for the meeting was provided by K. Casey. Zone budget was discussed and it was felt that \$150 would be adequate for zone functioning during the next year.

The "to do" list for 1991-92 was covered:

- 1. Big Meet/Event dates needed to be sent to M.L. Watson for the planner. It was decided that the PMS LC & SC Championships as well as the 10K Postal Swim and the Donner Lake 2.7 Mile National Championships would be submitted from Oceana, Jim Wheeler would look into the dates of the Maui Channel swim also for possible inclusion and forward all information when available to M.L. Watson.
- 2. Ransom J. Authur M.D. Award, Tom Boak thanked the Zone for their supporting efforts in his election. Nancy Ridout was nominated by C. Boak for the next year, this would be formalized prior to the March deadline.
- 3. Coach of the year award, It was reported that the Coaches Committee felt that it would be good this year to have the LMSCs all elect a Coach of the Year and then those winners could automatically be considered for this award. It was agreed upon that this should be the recommendation to Pacific and Hawaii.
- 4. Return SPMA survey's to Mike Heather, the Zone via Ridout and Paque would return this to Mike.

The issue of how to include Hawaii as a more active member in the zone was the next item.

Key thoughts were:

\*Target the Main Man in Hawaii and get him to buy in to the new zone idea. \*Send letters to all the clubs in the zone letting them know of realignment and welcoming Hawaii.

\*A possibility of including a "zone news" section in the PMS newsletter 3X each year, this 1 page section alone could be sent to the Hawaiians that often.

\*Offer Hawaii the Zone Championships to welcome them and give PMS Swimmers a chance to visit the islands, perhaps we could have the meet close to the Channel swim.

The Zone Championships were discussed, this was a brief item due to time and a lack of opinion from Hawaii.

It was brought up that Pacific Championships could be the Zone Championships when the meet was not in Hawaii. It was decided to request Newsletter labels from Hawaii so that we could have our own copy of these for the future. Northwest and Southwest returned from their meetings at this point to discuss legislation.

## NEW BUSINESS:

Do we want a new name for our new zone? Food for thought.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.