

SOUTH CENTRAL ZONE MEETING

Sept. 22, 1990, Pittsburg, PA 8:00 AM

Delegates Present: Kris Wingenroth, Chair, Jeff Thibideaux, Emmett Hines, Gulf; Craig Tribuzzi, Colin Light, Lynn Casey, Kim Shaw, Southwestern; Marcia Marcantonio, Libby Neufeld, Jeff Neufeld, South Texas; Don Mehl, Border; Kathy Keffer-Sharpe, Oklahoma.

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 AM. The minutes from the previous year were approved.

Discussion on who was entitled to vote during the meeting was initiated. The chair explained that in previous years, any registered member from the zone present had been allowed to vote but the voting policy was up to the group to decide.

MSC That each LMSC will have the same number of votes in the Zone meeting as they are allowed in the USMS House of Delegates according to their registration numbers.

It was determined that the voting members at the meeting would be J. Thibideaux, E. Hines, C. Tribuzzi, L. Casey, M. Marcantonio, L. Neufeld, D. Mehl, K. Sharpe.

MSC That the South Central Zone should ask the Zone Committee to compile and publish a list of zone records from all the zones.

Updated lists of the officers and clubs within the zone were distributed and discussed. It was suggested that the chair highlight changes so that everyone would be alerted to new addresses.

It was announced that the finance committee was not recommending a dues increase this year but that it was supporting a recommendation to increase the entry fee for the National Championships.

LMSC reports were made as follows:

Gulf - Jeff Thibodeaux, 400 registered swimmers, National Championships went smoothly.

Southwestern - Craig Tribuzzi, Over 700 swimmers were registered. Two short course and two long course meets were held and one open water swim was held (national championship).

South Texas - Marcia Marcantonio, Although registrations are up (350 swimmers) the number of teams are down.

Border - Don Mehl, There is still only one team and it has been renamed the Rio Grande Swim Club. Two short course meters and one short course yards meets were held. A new indoor 50 meter facility is being built in El Paso which should be finished in early 1992. This facility should give their program a boost.

Oklahoma - Kathy Keffer-Sharpe, There are about 200 swimmers in Oklahoma which is down from previous years. They are concerned about declining revenue. They lost \$1200. on the long course zone championship meet due to a low turnout of only 60 swimmers. They would have broken even if they had not given out the bags to all competitors.

West Texas and Arkansas - No representatives present

The two zone meets were discussed. The short course meet at the Texas Swim Center drew 280 participants. The long course meet lost money due to a low turnout.

Zone Top Ten Lists were discussed. It was mentioned that Ida Hlavacek might not wish to continue to compile the times. It was suggested that Anita Walker in Oklahoma might be interested in taking over the job. Kathy Keffer-Sharpe will ask her. If she does not wish to do it, Colin Light volunteered.

Kathy Keffer-Sharpe discussed the problem created by the rising costs of providing EMT's at meets.

The Zone Meet Schedule was distributed and discussed.

Two bids for the short course zone meet were presented. They were from Austin, Texas and Ft. Worth, Texas. Ft. Worth is the correct LMSC in the meet rotation. The pool (Wilkerson Grinds Activity Center) was discussed. **MSC that the short course zone meet be held in Ft. Worth.**

The date bid for the meet was April 14 & 15. It was suggested that Colin Light discuss the possibility of moving the meet to the first weekend in April so that times could be used for entries at the National Championships.

One bid was presented for the long course zone meet. This bid was out of rotation but Arkansas declined to hold the meet. This bid suggested combining the zone meet with the Pepsi Games to avoid any conflict as happened last summer. The Pepsi Games were discussed.

MSC to reopen bids for the long course meet until the end of October.

After bids are received, a vote will be taken by mail by those voting members present at the meeting.

It was discussed whether a sanction may be withheld purely on the grounds that the date selected for the meet was not in the best interest of the LMSC. (scheduling conflict). The zone chair was asked to discuss this with the USMS legal counsel. (Note: the opinion of the USMS Legal Counsel was that a sanction could be withheld from a meet under those circumstances)

All LMSC's were reminded that no meet entries were to be published without a sanction number. Chairmen were asked to be certain their newsletter publishers were informed of this.

Craig Tribuzi and Don Mehl are going to continue their preparations on a Zone Meet guide.

Lynn Casey reported from the Zone Finance Committee that the committee felt that it was not worthwhile to create a zone treasury.

Award for the Zone Meet were discussed. The awards from the long course meet were admired.

MSC that the Zone Meet bid form be rewritten to include a section for the meet director to specify the type of awards to be given.

The nomination process for next year's nomination of National Officers was discussed. Anyone wishing to make a nomination should send the letter to Pat Maley by February 1. It was noted that all the current officers have agreed to stand for election again.

Kathy Keffer-Sharpe was commended for her outstanding Zone Championship.

Colin Light withdrew his bid for the long-course zone meet.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:55 AM

Submitted by Craig Tribuzi

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COMMITTEE South Central Zone

CHAIRMAN Kris Wingenroth RECORDER _____

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT:

Craig Tribuzi

~~Colin Light~~

Lynn Casey

~~Kim Shaw~~

EMMETT HINES - GOLF

Jeff Thibodeaux

DON MEHL - BORDER

~~Jeff Sharp~~
LIBBY NEUFELD

Maria Marcantonio SoTx

NON-VOTING MEMBERS. VOICE AT OPTION OF THE CHAIR.

Jeff Neufeld - SoTx

~~Maria Marcantonio SoTx~~

Colin Light

Kim Shaw

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