

LMSC Development Committee Meeting Minutes – 07/18/2010

In Attendance: Doug Adamavich (Chair), Lori Payne (Vice Chair), Barb Protzman, Doug Garcia, Lianne Crittenden, Paige Buehler, Sally Guthrie, Anna Lea Matysek, and Ed Tsuzuki.

Meeting was called to order at 8:06PM EST

Registration Subcommittee: The subcommittee submitted a list of twelve questions to be included in the upcoming survey of LMSC Registrars. The questions were forwarded to the remainder of the committee for review. Revisions are due to Paige Buehler by 10PM EST on Tuesday July 20th. After Paige has incorporated any additions or changes, she will send them to Doug Adamavich by end of business Thursday. He will enter them into Survey Monkey, create a link, and send the link to Anna Lea Matysek. She will then send this link out to the Registrars before end of business on Friday. The Registrars will be given one week to complete the survey.

Membership Retention: Much discussion on the topic including rewards for continuous membership, waiving dues for IMSHOF inductees, pins and patches, along with other ideas. Some LMSCs (ex. New Jersey) already have programs in place to recognize members but most others do not. There are currently system limitations that prevent tracking membership before the advent of Club Assistant electronic registration system. Many worthwhile and informed ideas were discussed on the call, the discussion thread also contained a host of well thought-out observations and experiences.

Subcommittee formed comprising Paige (Chairman), Sally, Lianne, and Doug Garcia to lead the effort to investigate and compile recommendations. Doug Adamavich requested that their findings be reported before the next Board meeting so we can prepare to discuss them at Convention in September. In the meantime, all members were encouraged to continue discussing ideas relating to membership retention on the Forum.

Meeting Minutes: The meeting minutes for the first two meetings were voted on an approved unanimously by the committee.

Convention Workshops: The committee discussed the nine workshops that will be presented at Convention this year. There will be three each day (Thursday, Friday, and Saturday) covering a range of topics that are important to the LMSCs. Doug Adamavich has been working with Ed to coordinate the workshops and the presenting speakers. Due to feedback from the committee, two workshops were switched but otherwise the composition of the workshops remained the same. The final schedule for these will be completed in the next few days in preparation for Convention.

Barb (?) Lianne mentioned that the American Bar Association (ABA) asks attendees at its convention for ideas on future workshops. The discussion forum also indicated interest in workshops on conducting clinics. Anna Lea (?) also mentioned that workshops on LMSC finances should be considered, especially since there have been workshops on this in the past. She will review materials from past Conventions where an expert on finances gave a presentation.

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Doug Adamavich encouraged all members to think of relevant workshop topics for next year's Convention. We will have more time to work on this important project after this year's workshops are done.

Next Meeting: Sunday, August 22, 8PM EDT. Agenda will be sent out a week beforehand. In the meantime, continue to participate on the USMS Discussion Forums.

Meeting adjourned at 9:10PM EST.