

Committee Name:	Long Distance	Session #:	1	Report #:	1
Committee Chair:	Donn Livoni	Vice Chair:	Ali Hall		
Minutes recorded by:	Phyllis Quinn	Date/time of meeting:	7/17/2016		

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None

Motions Passed:

- 1.

Number of committee members present: 9	Absent: 3	Number of other delegates present: 4
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Donn Livoni, Chair, Ali Hall, VC, Jim Davidson, Phyllis Quinn, Laurie Hug, James Biles, , Colleen Discroll. Absent: Greta van Meeteren, Jill Wright, Mike Fanelli, Melinda Greig-Walker, and Allison Ware. Ex-Officio present: Bob Bruce, Bill Roach and Tracy Grilli., Elaine Howley, Absent: Chris McGiffin		

Agenda

Long Distance Committee

Call in information

Sunday, July 17, 2016 - 8:00pm – 9:30pm EDT

Toll Number (**FREE to USMS**) 530 881-1212 or 518 530-1840 or 701 801-1220

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Meeting ID: 397-249-317

Host PIN:7956

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 PM EDT

1. Welcome and roll call --
2. Approval of 6/26/16 meeting minutes **MSP**
3. Reports from the chair (Donn) **Mike Fanelli has been in the hospital. Please let him know we are thinking of him and wish him a quick recovery.**
4. Review LDC Operations Guidelines <http://www.usms.org/admin/policies/lDog.pdf>
I have appointed small group to work on this project and have a draft document by Labor Day for the LDC to review. The group is comprised of Phyllis (lead) James, Colleen, Bob, and Melinda.
5. Voting on 2018 ePostal bids and review of 2018 OW NC bids. **The bids for the 2018 ePostals were approved unanimously. Ali and Donn are exploring options to obtain bids for the 2018 OW NC. There is a bid for a festival event, but the organizers what to hold two NC swims on the same day. The committee discussed this request.**
6. Rules and Legislative Proposals – Bob Bruce. **All the rules work is completed. Bob will put all this work into the Convention format and will forward to the committee via the Forum. Rule 303.1.1C MSP unanimously as written.**
7. Update -- LDC Goals — 2016
 - Increase total participation in 2016 ePostal NCs by 10% over 2015, identifying specific strategies

that correlate to success

- Receive, for 2018, a minimum of 1 qualified, in-area, bid per event, and at least 1 West two-event festival bid.
 - Explore possibilities for collaborative strategies with other USMS stakeholders for increasing LDNC participation, such as 2-4 LDC members reaching out to 2 different committees such as Coaches', Fitness and/or Governance Committees still looking for a volunteer to reach out to another USMS Committee, for collaboration on common goals.
 - Explore continuing development of a 3-5 year pool of unselected, qualified bidders; this would allow a bidder to reconfirm interest, capacity, leadership and commitment while by-passing the detailed bid process for a period of years.
8. Working groups – reports (please send your report to all) No reports updated this month
- a. Rules/Legislation – Bob lead; Donn
 - b. PARA –Greta, Lead: (Patches & Awards – James & Melinda; All-Americans (AA) - Men – Michael; (AA) Women - Greta; (AA) Relays - Phyllis & Allison; Records - Jill & Michael, All-Stars – Laurie ; Postal Series – James & Laurie) Checker, Jim **The P.A.R.A. subcommittee is has received the final documents from the 2-mile cable NC.**
 - c. Club Assistant - Colleen & Phyllis
 - d. Safety – Bill Roach, lead; Bob, Jim 55 open water events have been sanctioned. One event is pending. Two events have been cancelled.
ISM: A total of 7 have completed the ISM training program and passed the written test.
I have received 1 completed ISM event report. The sanction did not have to be revoked and the safety plan was followed as presented.
 - e. Documents – James, lead; Donn, Phyllis
 - f. 2018 NC Selection – Ali, lead; Jim, Colleen, Phyllis, & Allison **2018 ePostal bids approved. Working on 2018 OW NC bids.**
 - g. Communications — Ali, Lead, Laurie
 - h. NC Oversight - Donn, lead; James, Ali, Bob (ePostals) **Donn working with Championship committee to make sure dates do not conflict.**

Below is a list of the 2016 LD NC events and the liaisons assigned.

I would like each lead liaison to give a brief written report on the status of their event LIAISONS— PLEASE CHECK YOUR EMAIL EARLY AND OFTEN FOR MESSAGES. Please remember to date all the documents you submit with the correct event year and be specific on what the document is.

- Indy Aquatic Masters, Indianapolis, IN 2-mile cable 6/18
 - o Liaison: Bob Bruce backup: Michael Fanelli 2 Mile Cable Awards hand delivered morning of event (6/18). This was a well run and enjoyable event in a nice venue. Now completing the paperwork.
- Rogue Valley Masters, Applegate Lake, OR 10K (6.2 miles) 7/16
 - o Liaison: Bob Bruce backup: Jim Davidson **61 swimmers entered, 53 swimmers completed the swim. This is a well run event, the lower numbers may be due to other swims held in the area.**
- o Kingdom Swim NEKOWSA, Newport, VT 10 miles 7/30
 - o Liaison: Ali Hall backup: Laurie Hug Ultra Marathon (10 miles) awards order due by 6/30. Event host has been reminded by liaison. Everything on track. Entry deadline is Fri 8 Jul. 57 entries for the event so far.
- Lake Lure Olympiad, Lake Lure, NC 1 mile 8/12
 - o Liaison: Donn Livoni backup: Allison Ware
- o Lake Lure Olympiad, Lake Lure, NC 5K (3.1 miles) 8/13
 - o Liaison: Donn Livoni backup: Allison Ware Entry #s:
 - We have 105 people entered for the Event.
 - 17 participating in 1 Mile only
 - 34 participating in 5K only

·54 participating in Both

·That makes for total of 71 entered in 1 mile and 88 entered in 5K.

Nothing else to report at this time other than preparations are proceeding. New mailing going out next week to past participants and a wide variety of swim coaches.

- Sierra Nevada Masters, Donner Lake, CA 2.7 mile 8/13
 - Liaison: Phyllis Quinn backup: Melinda Greig-Walker Donner Lake swim sold out in two hours. There are 408 swimmers entered. All other items are on timeline
- OHeP: Tamalpais Masters, San Rafeal, CA
 - o Liaison: James Biles lead; backup: Jill Wright & Jim Davidson
- 5,000M/10,000M ePostal: Western Hills Athletic Club/South Texas
 - o Liaison: Colleen Driscoll lead; backup: Melinda Grieg-Walker
- 3,000/6,000 ePostal: Sawtooth Masters
 - o Liaison: Greta van Meeteren, lead; backup: Laurie Hug & Allison Ware . The temporary online form for the event has been posted on the USMS website. Event host will contact Karin Wegner from CA to get her input on the final version of the form to be posted before the event.

Other business for the good of the order

The meeting was adjourned at: 8:43PM EDT

Next Call – **TBD may be an email or CC (agenda –review 2018 bid info. Chair is working with Championship committee to determine 2018 LCM Nationals date.)**