SPMS Face to Face Planning Meeting Minutes
Date: Sunday July 9, 2017
Location: Saddleback College Pool, 28000 Marguerite Parkway, Mission Viejo, CA
Meeting Called to Order: 12:46 PM PST
Facilitator: Mark Moore (Chair)
Recorder: Robin Smith (Secretary)
Attendees:
Chair – Mark Moore (Mission Viejo Masters); Vice Chair – Ken Brisbin (Long Beach Grunions); Secretary – Robin Smith (Novaquatics Masters); Registrar – Dan Wegner (Las Vegas Masters); Newsletter Editor – Tami Barrera (Mission Viejo Masters); Top Ten Recorder – Kim Thornton (Novaquatics Masters); Coaches Chair – Christine Maki (Competitive Tri-Swim Masters); Fitness Chair – Robin Smith (Novaquatics Masters); Meet Operations Chair – Ken Brisbin (Long Beach Grunions); Officials Chair – Alina Perez de Armas (Official); Open Water Chair – Sherry Brooks (Novaquatics Masters); Omar de Armas (Official); Sandy Kos (Masters of San Clemente Aquatics); Karin Wegner (Las Vegas Masters)

AGENDA:

2017/2018 Committee Projects:

-Coaches Committee (Christine Maki)-
The agenda for the 2017 SPMS Coaches Clinic is currently being drafted. The tentative theme is “Swim for Life”. Speakers to include Jim Montrella and Mark Schubert from Mission Viejo Nadadores and perhaps nonagenarian swimmer Maureen Kornfeld (Rose Bowl Aquatics). There was discussion regarding including USA-S coaches in the spirit of club development and charging a registration fee for all attendees. The clinic is tentatively scheduled for Saturday September 23, 2017 (9:00am to 4:00pm) and the location is TBD. Mark will look into space availability at Saddleback College.

-Fitness Committee (Robin Smith)-
Discussion regarding putting together an SPMS Fitness Clinic to benefit current SPMS swimmers. Robin will look into sending out a survey to find out how SPMS can better support both attached and unattached fitness swimmers at the LMSC level.

-Top Ten/SPMS Records (Kim Thornton)-
The current location of the SPMS Records posted on the website was discussed. Currently the records are posted under the Top Ten and Records tab, however, this appears differently when viewing from a computer versus a mobile device (smartphone, tablet). Dan will look into adding a separate "Records" tab and moving all records (SPMS, USMS, FINA) into one location on the website. There was also discussion regarding the possibility of using a Hy-Tek import file for these records.

-Meet Operations Committee (Ken Brisbin)-
Kenny briefly reviewed the list of current projects including updating meet host and meet warmup guidelines, finalizing the meet observer form, and working on issues with reporting some meet results when international swimmers (non-USMS) are entered in SPMS meets. There was discussion regarding using an online registration system to enter relays at meets on a regular basis. Kenny will work with Club Assistant regarding this process and related procedures.

-Officials Committee (Alina Perez de Armas)-
Alina has been looking into hosting a USMS Officials Clinic. There have been discussions with Southern California Swimming (SCS) to possibly host a joint clinic with both USA-S and USMS since many officials work both types of swim meets.
-Open Water Committee (Sherry Brooks)-
Sherry briefly reviewed the list of activities and projects including obtaining vendor donations, marketing open water events on social media, scheduling 1:1 meetings with event hosts, and monitoring shark updates in local waters. She mentioned that the USMS Safety Director Certification testing is going well and that SPMS has had increasing participation numbers in our open water events this year.

-Registrar/Webmaster (Dan Wegner)-
Dan reviewed the activities around making the SPMS website secure (SSL certificate) and more mobile friendly including the possibility of using Google Calendar. There was discussion regarding the high number of club transfers. Kim asked if there was a way to simplify this process as transfers can affect the processing and reporting of meet results and top ten times. Options discussed included not charging an LMSC fee for transfers and looking into an online system to manage club transfers.

2018 Budget Planning:
As Bob Eberwine was not in attendance, this topic was deferred.

Meet/OW Schedule Attendance:
N/A

Club Development/Marketing:
As Anita Cole was not in attendance, this topic was deferred.

Volunteer/Member Recognition:
Discussion regarding creating a process to recognize the number of years that members have been registered in SPMS. Challenges include how to calculate the total years of membership for those individuals who transfer in or out of SPMS and therefore either have partial year or non-consecutive year membership in SPMS.

Convention Meetings:
Mark discussed scheduling options at the USAS Convention for an SPMS breakfast and SPMS dinner. Depending on the Final Convention Agenda, the SPMS breakfast will tentatively be scheduled for Friday September 15th. The SPMS dinner will be tentatively scheduled for Thursday September 14th after the Zone Meetings unless there is going to be an LMSC Social event scheduled for this night. Alina said that the SPMS polo shirts will be shipped to the convention hotel and she will distribute them in Dallas.

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Next conference call meeting is scheduled for Thursday August 17, 2017 at 7:30 PM PDT.

Meeting Adjourned: 1:54 PM PST