Minutes: PNA Board Meeting, May 25, 2010

I Warm Up

A. Call to Order & Introductions. President Steve Peterson called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM at the home of Sarah Welch in Seattle. Present were Lee Carlson (by phone), Kathy Casey, Herb Cook, Kelly Crandell, Lisa Dahl, Sally Dillon, Jeanne Ensign, Tom Foley, Jan Kavadas, Arni Litt, Hugh Moore, Steve Peterson, Walt Reid, Ron Rhinehart and Sarah Welch.

B. President's Report. Steve Peterson reported on his trip to the Canadian National Masters Swimming Championships, May 21-24 in Nanaimo, BC. Steve also recognized excellent performances by PNA swimmers at the USMS Short Course Nationals, May 20-23 in Atlanta, GA, and commended Lisa Dahl, Sarah Welch, Debbie Glassman and Megan Oesting for their #1 All-American rankings (LC 200 & 400 Free Relays) in 2009.

C. Minutes. Minutes of the March 20 Board meeting were approved as corrected.

D. Treasurer's Report. Jeanne Ensign presented PNA Financial Statements through April, 2010, reporting that revenue and expenses remained in line with the 2010 Budget. WetSet publishing expense has decreased as more copies are distributed online. Clinic income has increased. **MSA: To approve the Financial Statements.**

MSA: To increase the Awards budget by \$300 to replenish the stock of award ribbons.

MSA: To increase the budget for Coaching Support at Nationals by \$1,000 to cover the expense of sending two coaches to SC Nationals in Atlanta.

II Main Set (Current Action Items)

A. Coach Funding Requests. Five PNA coaches plan to split the \$1,100 budgeted to defray travel expenses to the USMS SwimFest'10 clinic in San Diego, June 4-6. Lisa Dahl requested the Board consider increasing that budget line for 2011.

In addition to PNA Coach of the Year Shannon Singer, three PNA coaches have expressed interest in attending the ASCA World Clinic in Indianapolis, Aug. 30-Sept. 5. MSA: To increase the ASCA Clinic travel support budget by \$2,500 (from \$640 to \$3,140) to help defray expenses of three additional coaches.

B. Convention Delegates. PNA Secretary Herb Cook reported that he had received applications from Hugh Moore and Walt Reid for two of PNA's four delegate positions at the USMS National Convention, September 15-19 in Dallas. MSA: To appoint Hugh Moore and Walt Reid as delegates. MSA: To authorize President Steve Peterson to appoint the two remaining delegates.

C. Award Nominations. Steve Peterson, Arni Litt & Jeanne Ensign agreed to serve on a committee to nominate PNA members for the Dorothy Donnelly Service Award. Sarah Welch agreed to submit PNA Coach of the Year Shannon Singer as a nominee for USMS Coach of the Year, and to solicit other award nominations from PNA coaches.

D. Swimming Facilities Under Siege. Sarah Welch reported that all eight indoor pools operated by Seattle Parks and Recreation were in danger of closure because of the city's budget problems. Sarah and Lisa Dahl convened a meeting to analyze the pools' utilization, operating

costs and revenues, and Sarah met with Seattle City Council member Sally Bagshaw. (*Subsequently, Parks and Recreation announced the eight pools will remain open for now, although five wading pools will be closed.*) Jeanne Ensign commended Sarah and Lisa for their efforts. Sarah agreed to draft a Board resolution supporting continued operation of the pools.

E. Website Redesign. Webmaster Hugh Moore reported he will be unable to spend much time on the website redesign until at least fall, 2010. Several Board members advocated for changes in the website's content, layout and navigability. After discussion, Hugh offered, as an interim step, to add content to the website as it is supplied to him.

F. PNA Logo. Ron Rhinehart reported he is seeking an artist to redesign the PNA Logo.

III Sprint Set (Committee Reports)

A. Membership. Arni Litt reported PNA membership at 1,348.

Meets. As recommended by Lee Carlson, MSA: To recognize the swimming events of the Northwest Senior Games, June 19 at Juanita Aquatics Center in Kirkland. Lee reported he had received a request to sanction the BAMFest meet on October 9. Action was deferred, pending agreement by Bainbridge Area Masters to impose a \$3 per swimmer surcharge for online registration. (On June 6, the Board approved BAMFest's sanction request, including the \$3 surcharge, by an email vote of 11-1.)

Open Water. As recommended by Open Water Chair Sally Dillon, **MSA: To** sanction summer open water clinics sponsored by the South Whidbey Parks and Recreation District, subject to oversight by Sally and Sarah Welch.

As requested by Zena Courtney and recommended by Sally, **MSA: To sanction a 2k** AquaRun Open Water Swim (entry fee \$35) on Labor Day (Sept. 6) in Commencement Bay on the Tacoma waterfront.

IVWarmdown (Next Meetings)JUNE 29: 6:45 PM at Jan Kavadas's condo in EdmondsAUG 24: 6:45 PM at Jeanne Ensign's home, Seattle.OCT 30: 9:00 AM-4:00 PM Retreat at Sally Dillon's condo, Issaquah

The Meeting was adjourned at 9:20 PM.