

ANNUAL MEETING - NOVEMBER 4, 2007

by *Kate Fiskén, Secretary*

Place: Lynn Wymelenberg's Home

Participants: Jeff Roddin, David Harmon, Clay Britt, Tom Denes, Kate Fiskén, Dottie Buchhagen, Cathy Gainer, and Lynn Wymelenberg.

The meeting was called to order by President, Jeff Roddin, at 11:05am.

Nomination of Officers: A nomination was made from the floor to re-elect the existing officers and coaches, with the following changes: Dottie Buchhagen and Tom Denes will share the Newsletter Editorship; Lynn Wymelenberg will be an At-Large Board Member. All nominations were accepted and the remaining officers and coaches were elected.

The following officers presented reports:

Jeff Roddin, President: Jeff discussed the ANCM registration process and the new USMS website registration "beta testing". The Board discussed what process worked best for ANCM. Tom Denes & Cathy Gainer volunteered to head a committee to send out our 2008 USMS registration renewal forms. Tom and Cathy suggested beginning the process at the next breakfast get-to-gather at Mosaic restaurant, after Sunday's swim team practice.

Vice President: Peter was absent. The Board discussed the ANCM caps supply. It was decided to ask Peter to distribute the remaining caps to all coaches as soon as possible.

Kate Fiskén, Secretary: Reported along with Tom Denes on the feedback from ANCM's membership of "Excess Funds". See feedback summarized below.

Mauricio Rezende, Treasurer: Mauricio was absent. Jeff Roddin presented ANCM's 2007-2008 Budget as summarized below and reported our account balance as of 8/31/07 to be \$19,259.05.

Clay Britt, Registrar: The Montgomery County and the ANCM/USMS registration processes were discussed. It was noted that ANCM will continue having all registration slips and payments sent first to Clay, who will then send the registrations to Jeff and the checks to Mauricio. For those members who register on-line with the Montgomery County Recreation Department website, it was explained that their information will be sent to Clay.

Dottie Buchhagen, Webmaster & Newsletter Editor: Dottie discussed the need for better "photo" software, so that all members can have better access to ANCM's website photographs. A motion was made and Board approved that we make this needed expenditure. Dottie also mentioned that the next newsletter would focus on open water swimming and encouraged all interested members to send her their articles or comments on this topic.

The next agenda item:

Holiday Party: The ANCM Holiday Party will be held on December 15, 2007 at an ANCM member's house. Jeff volunteered his home in the event that no other home could be arranged. He also voiced the need to streamline the clean-up process, since last year it was a real chore for him the next morning. The Board discussed formalizing the clean-up process by appointing a Clean-Up committee via an email solicitation. It was decided that this committee should be organized well in advance of the party date. It was also suggested that the Board provide plastic containers to the party attendees so that

leftovers could be doled out as they leave. The Board discussed having the food for the party catered. Red, Hot and Blue was suggested. The drinks will be handled by others. Jeff said he would follow-up on the catering and suggested that we see what kind of catering might be available for the same price as last year. Subsequent to the meeting, the party location was set to be Jeff's house.

Proposed Budget: ANCM's 2007-2008 Budget was reviewed, line-by-line. Tom noted that our revenue would go down if we lose registered members and suggested reducing the forecasted members to be 200. After that discussion the revenues (individual dues, Albatross Open registrations, etc) were reduced. The following "swim club supplies" were discussed: kickboards- should be -0-; Swimming DVD expenditure was increased to \$150; the Website/Bulletin Board expenditure was increased to \$200. After the Board's review and adjustments, a motion was passed to accept our 2007-2008 budget to be a deficit of \$269. Note: this amount includes all adjustments made in Old and New Business items detailed in these Minutes.

Albatross Open: The date for the 2008 swim meet was set for March 15, 2008 at the Montgomery Aquatics Center (MAC). The fees and surcharge would remain the same as last year. Meet Director Cathy Gainor discussed the need to arrange in advance the necessary swim meet timers and officials and a future planning meeting will be held.

Old Business: There was much discussion regarding ANCM's cumulative Net Assets amount of approximately \$19k. Tom and Kate had worked on this issue over the past year by soliciting feedback from our team members. Tom collated the ANCM membership feedback and reported the results. The following illustrates how the ANCM's membership thought the excess funds should be spent:

- 1) **Recruitment** was the choice of 8 members
- 2) **Video Library** was the choice of 5 members
- 3) **Price Reduction** for T-shirts and Registration for Albatross Volunteers was the choice of 5 members.
- 4) **Award Plaques** to ANCM Outstanding Service members was the choice of 4 members.
- 5) **Coach Financial Support** to further their training and/or certification was the choice of 4 members.
- 6) **More Social Activities** was the choice of 4 members.

All feedback was discussed at length and the following resulted:

- 1) The Board made no decision on the **Recruitment** idea.
- 2) The Board would investigate the pros and cons of a **Video Library**, logistics being a major concern.
- 3) The Board did not think the **Price Reduction** idea was a good one and would not set good precedent.
- 4) The Board decided to move forward on **Award Plaques** for ANCM volunteer members who have provided Outstanding Service to our organization.
- 5) The Board decided to award \$100 to each coach for **Coach Financial Support** to their further training and/or certification if they attend ASCA type training sessions.
- 6) The Board discussed **More Social Activities** such as, a "Bowling Night" and subsidizing part of the Stoudt's camping trip.

New Business: Dottie reported that the ANCM Bulletin Board at the MAC has been established. It is located in the lower level next to the entrance to the men's locker room.

The bulletin board was set up by Debbie Kelsey, and she will also maintain it. Dottie noted that the Bulletin board provides an opportunity to advertise ANCM membership to other MAC non-member swimmers, as well as to keep our general membership informed of news and latest events. The Bulletin Board will post team photographs. The ANCM Outstanding Service Award plaque will be mounted on the wall next to the Bulletin Board. Dottie requested a budgeted amount to aid in the cost of reproducing photos for the Bulletin Board. An increase of \$50 was approved by the Board.

The annual meeting was adjourned at 12:45pm.