LMSC Annual Meeting - October 26, 1991

Present: HOLMES Lumber Jax, Bill Uhrich; St Pete, Jayne Lambke; FAM, Catie Cooper; FAST, Meegan Wilson; IRCC; Joan Glaraton; President, John Maguire; Secretary-Treasurer, Enid Uhrich; Newspaper Editor, Frank Tillotson.

Minutes of 4/6/91 and 10/3/90 were accepted as amended. Treasurer's report showing a debit of \$113.98 (but revenues received after the meeting and still in this fiscal year show a slight profit), was accepted as reported.

A report was given by John and Catie concerning the following pertinent actions at the national convention:

* Most important was the requirement that meets now have a "Safety Coordinator" present who will a) be on deck, b) have access and knowledge to emergency procedures and safety equipment and c) not be the person who will administer first aid.

* Dues were increased at a national level to \$23 with an increase in transfer fees to \$3. These dues will pay for each swimmer receiving a subscription to SWIM while any second member of the same household would receive a copy of Swim Techniques. The USMS Newsletter will be included in SWIM. There was some confusion as to whether or not Top Ten would still be included in SWIM or whether it would have to be ordered by the LMSC and reprinted in our newsletter. It was moved, seconded and approved that a list of all FLA LMSC members making Top Ten whether in relays or individual events be published, with place, in our newsletter.

* Now we will be requiring meets to follow the rules for including approved officials. It was moved, seconded, and passed that Joan and Frank prepare a list of FLA approved officials and that a copy of this list be sent with all approved sanctions.

* That nationals is now stressing more attention be paid to our fitness swimmers. It was moved, seconded and passed that we design a patch, certificates, and appropriate awards for swimmers in a "SWIM" Around Florida program - with the word "SWIM" to include water walking and other forms of movement in water. Catie was to work out a ratio of actual miles to swimming miles for such a patch (this has been done and is attached to these minutes.) It was strongly debated as to whether there should be any charge for participation in this program. All agreed that cost of patches be charged to participants but the meeting was divided as to whether or not a participation fee should be charged (similar to fee of entering a meet). Part of the group felt strongly that any USMS member should be able to participate for free (as to swimmers in the Red Cross 50 miles swim program), particularly since fitness members receive almost nothing for their membership fee. Up to now, newsletters and other activities has been geared only to the competitive swimmer. This matter was not decided.

* National has requested that all meet results and paperwork be kept for 1 year after submittal of results.

It was moved, seconded and passed to create a Florida 'Coach of the Year' award.

After a discussion of the Team Orlando letter, it was moved, seconded and passed with one negative, that no refund was due to Team Orlando.

Meeting was then adjourned.