

MINUTES OF THE FLORIDA LMSC MEETING ON APRIL 12, 1992

Present: chairman John Maguire, Registrar Catie Cooper, Editor Frank Tillotson. The following clubs were represented: Abrasha Brainin, SPM; Catherine Datres, HLJ; Charles Nielsen, Sun Coast; Telfaire Mahaffey, Navy Jax Masters; Tom Harmon, IRCC; Meegan Wilson, FAST.

The treasurer's report will be submitted later, but the LMSC is in good financial shape. We have a balance of \$8,611.81.

It was noted that Top Ten Chairman Charles Kohnken and Registrar Catie Cooper need to have meet results promptly. Also, registration delays cause too much work for the registrar right before meets. Large teams such as Holmes and SPM need to get organized earlier (by late November) so that any registration delays do not cause a problem with meet entries.

Catherine Datres, the new registrar for Holmes Lumber, pointed out that since both old and new registration forms had been sent out last year and since it was difficult to determine which form was which, Holmes inadvertently used the wrong form and had to re-register all of their swimmers causing such a delay that their swimmers were unable to attend the Tampa meet.

Frank Tillotson pointed out that the 1992 Rule Book allows swimmers, at the discretion of the meet director and exclusive of National Championship Meets, to enter meets without a copy of their current registration card by indicating "number pending" so long as they present proof of valid registration prior to meet participation. He felt that this condition should be allowed in our Florida LMSC.

Cathrine Datres felt that a penalty should be added if the above option is used to encourage swimmers to register early.

The following motion was proposed by John Maguire.

At the meet director's discretion, he may accept a proper entry form without copy of a registration card stating "registration pending." Then when proof is presented at meet check in and \$10 fee paid, the entry is accepted.

Abrasha Brainin seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Catie Cooper clarified the clause in our insurance that states that a swimmer has a 30 day trial period before he must register with USMS. Such swimmers are covered by USMS insurance and their presence does not negate the insurance of those registered swimmers swimming in their lane. Catie pointed out that FAST requires all trial swimmers to fill out the registration form and pay the registration fee which is returned to the swimmer if he decides not to join after the trial period.

Respectfully submitted,
Meegan Wilson
Acting Secretary