

## USMS CONVENTION – San Diego, CA – 2003

Committee Name: Colonies Zone      Session # (if more than one meeting): \_\_\_\_\_      Cmte. report #:

Minutes recorded by: Charles Cockrell      Date/time of this meeting: 9-13-2003 12:00 p.m.

Zone Chair: Tom Lyndon

Number of committee members present: 38      Absent: \_\_\_\_\_      Number of other delegates at this meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Committee members present (list all):

### PROPOSED EXPENDITURES

None

### ACTION ITEMS

1. MSA to approve George Mason as the site for the 2004 Colonies Zone SCY Championship (April 2-4, 2004).
2. MSA to approve Rutgers University as the site for the 2003 Colonies Zone SCM Championship (December 6-7, 2003).
3. MSA to have a Zone policy that "No Time" entries are not permitted at Colonies Zone Championship meets, effective immediately.
4. MSA to review and update Colonies Zone Championship Meet guidelines via subcommittee.
5. David Diehl was presented with the Colonies Zone Dot Donnelly service award.
6. MSA that Debbie Morin-Nordlund (incoming Colonies Zone Chair) appoint a liaison and committee to work directly with Adirondack and assist in their organization.

### MINUTES

The meeting was called to order at 12:00 p.m. PDT by Tom Lyndon (NE), Acting Zone Chair.

1. Zone delegates were introduced by each LMSC Chair. Adirondack was not present.
2. Lynn Hazelwood (PV), Zone Representative, discussed the new Zone Chair job description and Zone Committee functions.
3. Cathy Pennington (PV), USMS Controller, discussed Zone finances. There are two separate accounts for Zone funds. There is a USMS account specifically for each zone. Additional monies that may be raised by the Zones will go into this account for use at their discretion. Zones are subject to FOG as part of USMS. There is also an account for the Zone Committee, from which zones may request funds. Disbursement funds are on the USMS web site and Cathy has copies as well.
4. Zone Representative Election. Betsy Durrant (VA) assumed the role of meeting Chair for the elections. Tom Lyndon (NE) and Debbie Morrin-Nordlund (PV) were nominated from the floor. MSA to close nominations. Each candidate discussed their interest in the position and USMS experience. An election was held by secret ballot and **Debbie Morrin-Nordlund was announced as the new Colonies Zone representative.**
5. A discussion was held on Zone Championship meet. Rutgers University was discussed via e-mail prior to the convention as the SCM Championship in December. Jeff Roddin (PV) indicated that George Mason University has expressed interest in hosting the 2004 SCY meet. **MSA to approve George Mason as the site for the 2004**

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6. Jim Miller (VA), USMS President, addressed the meeting. He discussed the new Zone Committee functions and reminded each delegate to fill out committee interest forms.

7. Discussion on Colonies Zone Championship requirements. **MSA to have a Zone policy that “No Time” entries are not permitted at Colonies Zone Championship meets, effective immediately. MSA to review Colonies Zone Meet Guidelines and revise as necessary.** (Barb Protzman, Charlie Cockrell, Ed Tsuzuki, Paul Fortoul volunteered to work on the guidelines.)

8. **David Diehl was presented with the Colonies Zone Dot Donnelly service award.**

9. The Colonies Zone operating guidelines will be reviewed and updated.

10. Discussion on how to assist Adirondack LMSC. Membership is approximately 150 members and they lack an LMSC Chairman. They are hosting one of the 2005 open water championship at Lake Placid. **MSA that Debbie Morin-Nordlund will appoint a liaison and committee to work directly with Adirondack and assist in their organization.**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m. PDT.

#### TASKS FOR THE UPCOMING YEAR

1. Review and revise Colonies Zone operating guidelines and championship meet guidelines.
2. Appoint liaison and committee to work with Adirondack LMSC.