

**PVLMSC Meeting Minutes – March 24, 2007**  
**North Bethesda, MD**

Chair, Debbie Morrin-Nordlund, was out of town so Jeff Roddin & Tim Timmons conducted the meeting.

Chair:

- Introductions.
- The minutes from the last meeting are on the PV website.
- Minutes were approved

Registrar:

As of the end of March, the number of PV members:

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Members</u>
2007	1583
2006	1503
2005	1422

There are two new PV clubs:

- Victor Swim club which is USS & Masters.
- YWCA Masters which practices at Gallery Place in DC.

There are currently approximately 25 clubs in PV.  
(Annandale, Team Z, and FAAT consolidated into Curl-Burke.)

PV is the 4<sup>th</sup> largest LMSC for the number of swimmers but the smallest geographically.

Top Ten:

The SCM Top Ten listing went to press two weeks ago.

Sanctions:

Evaluators were solicited for these upcoming meets.

- Tim Timmons for Albatross and Terrapin Cup.
- Brian Ellis for Colonies Zone SCY.
- Ann Svensen for McDonnell Lake Swims.
- Ray Novitske for the DCRP LCM Meet

The last few meets received a full refund of their sanction deposits.

Treasurer:

- We currently have approximately \$23,000 in savings and \$4,000 in checking.
- We are doing fine, financially.
- We filed our federal tax return as a 501(c) 3 organization.
- The registrar was paid and his Form 1099 was sent.

- USMS is considering raising individual dues \$5 starting in November 2007. The change will be voted on at convention in September. Note the PV registration fee is comprised of a portion that goes to USMS and a portion to PV – it is the portion that goes to USMS that is proposed to rise.
- If the increase is approved, PV will probably just pass through the increase (meaning our dues will go up \$5).
- The registration forms passed out in November will reflect any changes. Clubs are recommended to not advertise 2008 fees in their brochures until checking with the Registrar in the fall.

#### Newsletter:

- The February newsletter was very late due to personal circumstances of the editor.
- We have begun paying a separate company to generate the labels for the newsletter. The cost is minimal and the convenience increases the timeliness of getting the newsletters to print.

#### Awards:

The SCY, SCM, and LCM PV awards were approved.

#### Officials:

- A correction was made to the UM Masters 800/1500 Meet webpage entry form. The meet is on a Saturday, not a Sunday.
- USMS is recommending that every LMSC have an Officials Chair.
- There is a rule change which doesn't affect masters – USA Swimming changed the “training” racing start depth to 6 feet. It doesn't affect Masters unless you train with a USA Swimming team.

#### Safety:

- Myriam Pero, the current Safety Chair, is returning to Colombia and retiring from her position.
- She is compiling a list of “do's and don't's” to hand out to new Masters swimmers.
- Many thanks were expressed to Myriam for her years of service.
- An ad for a new Safety Chair will be run in the newsletter.

#### Fitness:

The virtual dual meet idea is on hold.

#### Other Business:

- PV previously won the bid for the Colonies Zone LCM Meet. The venue and date were George Mason University and August 24-25. However, work is being done on the GMU pool in August. Terrapin Masters volunteered to host the meet on August 17-18. Jeff Strahota will be the meet director. The meet will be held on Saturday afternoon, Aug 17, and Sunday morning, Aug 18 (done by 12:30PM). There will be 400 & 800 free races, and a combined 800 free relay (men's women's mixed will competed together.) However, there will be no 1500 free. An email vote was conducted to Colonies Zone reps and the changes in venue and date were approved.

- Delegates for the September USMS convention were solicited. Dave Diehl, Ann Svenson, and Lynne Hazlewood are attending as automatic delegates. Ray Novitske, Jeff Roddin, Jeff Strahota, Wonkee Moon, and Katie Davison expressed interest in attending as regular delegates. Let Debbie know by July 1<sup>st</sup> of your interest in attending. There should be 5 slots available for PVLMSC.
- Ann Svenson proposed the Frank Murphy Long Distance award. Lorraine Murphy gave a generous gift to DC Masters after her husband, Frank, passed away while swimming. They have considered ideas for what to do with the money. There is a suggestion to standardize the long distance awards but they're wondering what standards to use (for example, include the hour swim and the 1500/1650 swims?). They would like to encourage more people to swim in open water. It was approved that a new PV male and female distance swimmer award be given out for each calendar year starting in January of 2007. A summary of the award will be posted to the PV website.

Next Meeting:

After the Terrapin Cup Meet, July 1, at approximately 12:00PM, at the UM natatorium in College Park.

Attendees:

Ray Novitske	Alexandria Masters Swimming
Janel Brattland	Arlington Ageless Masters
Ann Svenson	DC Masters
WonKee Moon	District of Columbia Aquatics Club
Brian Ellis/Julie Oplinger	Fairfax County Masters
Mark Walters	Germantown Masters
Jeff Roddin/Myriam Pero	Montgomery Ancient Mariners
Tim Timmons	Patriot Masters Swim Team
Gordon Gerson	Reston Masters Swim Team
Jeff Strahota/Cheryl Wagner	Terrapin Masters
David Diehl	University of Maryland Masters
Lori Pawlik	Victor Swim Club Masters
Katie Davison	Worldgate Tri Masters