

**Gulf USMS Meeting**  
**Location: Star Pizza**  
**September 19, 2007**

Attendees: Mark Hahn, Nancy and Eric Crecelius, Jill Gellatly, Renee Protopapas, Stacey Van Horn, Seth Huston, Sheila Baskett, Tim Hill and Tom Boak

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

The first order of business was the approval of the May minutes followed by the Officer's Reports.

Officer's Reports

- Treasurer-Mark distributed an update on the financials
- Secretary-No new items to report;
- Registrar-Was not in attendance; no new items to report.
- Top Ten-No new items

New Business

- President- New Business or Outstanding Business
  - Calendar
    - October 13th- SCM Ft. Bend
    - 11/3/07- Jesse Coon SC Yards Meet
    - 2/2/08- WMST Relay meet
      - Discussion about the format of the meet and the possibility of smaller teams (or even the "Create Your Team" concept) was suggested to make the meet more interesting due to the size of WMST
    - Tim Hill discussed possibility of February SC yards meet at FCST
    - 3/8/08- March Madness- SC Yards Meet at Rice University
    - 3/28/08- Zone Meet- San Antonio
    - 4/26/08- Tentative Spring Open Water Swim at Twin Lakes
    - 5/3/08- USMS SC Nationals – Austin
    - 7/26/08- LC Zones- Woodlands to prepare bid

- Mentor Clinics
  - Continued discussion of the possibility of a mentor clinic was discussed. Stacy Van Horn reported that the Memorial Athletic Club would not be available to April and one could be held outside. . The LMSC decided to apply for the SMOG grant and also discussed potential clinic leaders.
- Sally Lowe Donation
  - It was approved by the members a donation of \$250 would be made in honor of Sarah Lowe. The motion was approved. Jill will contact Jada Hallmark to obtain details of distribution of funds to appropriate place.
- Website
  - Continued discussion of using Club Assistant and an e-mail service- previously approved at July meeting. Sheila explained she had worked on several concepts of a new web re-design and would forward the ideas to Nancy
- Fitness Challenge
  - Continued discussion of having a 2008 Fitness Challenge; Possibly a swim to Austin or play-off the concept of the MS 150 Bike ride was introduced by Jill Gellatly; it was agreed that Nancy, Jill and Stacey would re-visit the idea after Convention.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 pm. It was determined that the next meeting would be a call on Sunday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm CST and last meeting of year would be Wednesday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at Star Pizza.