



## BOARD MEETING

August 5, 2003

The meeting was called to order by President Wayne Bouchard at 7:05 PM. Those in attendance were Wayne Bouchard, Ted Hofmann, Gayle Vesely, Ron Swanson, Jeff Barrus, JP Krieger, Rich Hughes, Debbie Kaz, Mike Avila, Deann Shannon, Jon Cole, Bonnie & Cheryl Ruston.

### **SECRETARY**

Ted Hofmann made a motion to approve the June meeting minutes as written. Seconded by Mike Avila and approved.

### **TREASURER**

Gayle Vesely presented the Treasurer's report for the period ending July 31, 2003

All sanction fees have been paid for events held thus far this year. Remaining sanction fees to be collected for 2003 events are:

- IWSRA – 1 marathon
- Region I – 2 circle races
- Region II – 2 circle races

Sanction fees are the only significant income expected for the rest of 2003.

Gayle also provided a recap of monies collected for the Catalina Ski Race.

Ted Hofmann a made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Seconded by Mike Avila and approved.

### **PUBLIC COMMUNICATION**

No report.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No report.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Ted Hofmann read a nomination for Gary Heinbuch as Man of the Year. Nominations remain open for Man and Woman of the Year.

### **REGION I**

Mike Avila provided a recap of the marathons and sprint races held at Clearlake in July. Prize money was awarded for the sprint races. Overall the event made a profit of approximately \$6000. Mike suggested the National Board consider this type of format for the entire organization in 2004. Wayne Bouchard stated that all proposals need to be presented prior to the November meeting so everyone has a chance to review the information. Mike Avila stated that he will submit his proposal at the September National Meeting. Jon Cole said that Region II participants don't necessarily want to give up circle races.

### **REGION II**

Deann Shannon reported on the remaining circle race events for Region II in 2003. The 3<sup>rd</sup> circle will be at Lake Mead on September 20 & 21 and the 4<sup>th</sup> circle will be at Puddingstone on October 4 & 5.

### **INTERNATIONAL**

Jon Cole reported there was an error on the marathon entry form for the marathons at Long Beach in September. The correct amount for Heats A & B is \$85. NOT \$35 as printed. A corrected flyer was sent to all participants.

The Long Beach Marathons will run the same courses as scheduled to run at the World Championships. The marathons will be a "test run" for worlds.

The hosting of the World Championships is all coming together. However, someone is still needed to coordinate the opening ceremonies. Jody Campbell is working hard on publicity for the World Championships. In addition, Jeff Barrus has presented information to Jon on making a DVD of the World Championships. A lengthy discussion was regarding the "movie". Jeff is looking for various levels of sponsors to pay for the production costs. Plans are to have numerous camera angles including helicopter shots. Mike Avila made a motion for the NWSRA to pay \$4000 to be the primary sponsor of the DVD. Seconded by Randy Jarrell. Ted Hofmann asked if there would be a refund to the NWSRA if the DVD does not get produced Jeff assured everyone there would be a full refund but is working on obtaining other sponsors to help cover costs. Jon Cole feels that the NWSRA needs to support the production and would get some type of publicity on the DVD. After further discussion, the motion to provide \$4000 towards the productions costs was approved. Ted Hofmann suggested that we need to get more information on the production company. Jeff Barrus will provide the information.

Wayne Bouchard suggested sending a one page invitation type flyer to anyone who has been a NWSRA member in recent years, providing them with the information on the World Championships. Cheryl Ruston will send this out the middle of September and will include information on the hospitality boats.

### **RACE**

A preliminary meeting for organizing the National Championships was held following the Region II Meeting last week. A list of job assignments was generated to begin the process of organizing the event.

### **SPECIAL SANCTION**

Cheryl Ruston received a sanction event application from Dave Fletcher on behalf of Region I asking to host the SF Bay Race on October. However, due to recent discussion with our insurance provider boats larger than 27 feet are not covered under our policy. Randy Jarrell made a motion to accept the sanction for October 25 with the provision that boats larger than 27 feet will not be allowed to participate. Seconded by Ted Hofmann and approved. Cheryl will provide Dave with this information.

Randy Jarrell thanked Jon Cole and Cheryl Ruston for their efforts on insurance other matters concerning the Catalina Ski Race. All went well.

### **SAFETY**

No report.

### **USAWS**

No report

### **PUBLICITY**

No report.

**BUSINESS MANAGER**

As previously reported, all sanction fees have been paid for events held thus far. Sanction applications are in for the LB Marathons and the remaining two Region I circle races. Cheryl will contact Kelly Ireland regarding the sanction applications for the last two Region II circle races.

The sanction for the SF Race will be pending acceptance or denial from Dave Fletcher on the boat size limitation for the race.

All safety reports have been submitted.

With the exception of fund received from the Catalina Race, minimal membership has been received in recent months.

JP Krieger made a suggestion regarding the renewal process for NWSRA members. He is aware of other organizations who have their membership dues be paid prior to the National Championships the end of the year. This may encourage people to participate the follow year being as though their dues have already been paid.

**SGT @ ARMS**

No report.

**CORRESPONDANCE**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:10 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie Ruston  
NWSRA Secretary