NC LMSC Meeting January 26, 2008 – 4:10 PM Mecklenburg Aquatic Center, NC Draft Minutes

<u>Attendees</u>: Jerry Clark (Chairman and representing CSM), Elizabeth Nowak (Treasurer and representing THAT), Greta van Meeteren (Secretary and representing TRYM), Ruth Battle (AMS), Patty Waldron (MAC)

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 PM after the conclusion of day 1 of the Sunbelt Championships.

1. Draft Budget

- Attendees had previously received the draft budget for 2008 from Jerry. A second version was handed out and discussed.
- The line item "Donations for National Meets" was removed, since there already exists a line item "Individual contribution to NCMS Club".
- Discussion involved spending of those contributions for T-shirts, caps, and relay fees for the team that will represent NC at LCM and SCY nationals. Other events such as open water swims will have to be considered as well, to include swimmers who participate in those events.
- Since on-line registration will be in place very soon, the budget will have to be revisited after this takes place. The money flow will change, and Elizabeth will make a revision of the budget at that time. It was agreed to wait with approval until then.

2. Governance

 Discussion took place about the governance of the LMSC. Efforts in the past to involve more team representatives in the meetings have had very little success. Jerry suggested forming a board of directors, which would include the officers, registrar and team representatives who are willing to put forth the effort for this. Everyone present will try to get names of team representatives.

3. Masters' Fair

- Jerry had created a document with ideas about putting together a Masters' Fair.
 He will make sure everyone gets a copy of this document. This will be used as a starting point for ideas.
- Discussion involved putting together a definition of what we want this Fair to include. Caution will have to be used about wanting to do too much in a small amount of time. Ideas that were mentioned:
 - Educational element
 - Hands-on part
 - Social part
 - Workshops
- The goal needs to be to serve the fitness swimmer as well as the competitive swimmer. The ultimate goal is to grow Masters memberships.
- A 2nd revision of this document will be created by the next meeting by sharing thoughts and ideas via E-mail.

4. Future Meetings

- A decision was made to have bi-monthly conference calls. These
 meetings will take place in the early evening hours (5:00-7:00 PM) on a
 Monday or a Thursday. The next meeting will be in March; Jerry will set
 the date and set up conference call facilities.
- The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Greta van Meeteren, secretary.