

Central California Council of Diving Clubs, Inc.



Minutes of the July 26, 2017 Meeting

Call to Order –by Jim Kaller

Also present were Carol Rose, Brandi Easter, and Larry Ankuda.

Membership –Carol

Cen-Cal has 179 members paid up. The numbers are higher than the end of 2016, mostly due to the spearfishing national meet, the Aqua Tutus (54), Nor-Cal (31), Sea Lions and other hockey clubs. The USOA has 86 members in our region.

Financial Report—Carol

This year we have spent \$343 on postage, \$151 on printing, \$2000 for insurance, \$1000 for the scholarship, \$100 misc., and \$90 meet fees for a total of \$3684. Income so far is \$3020 (\$1575 in dues, \$1100 for insurance, and \$345 misc.) leaving a \$664 deficit, but USOA holds at least \$840 Cen-Cal dues and Cen-Cal holds \$180 USOA dues. Some insurance money is still due, which allow us to at least break even this year.

Website—Larry

The “Home” page now has a button for joining, donating, or buying insurance. This leads to a page which links to PayPal. A PayPal account has been established and was first used June 29th and Larry successfully transferred the monies to Cen-Cal’s bank account at Chase. He and Carol are now working on establishing us as a nonprofit with PayPal to save 0.7% of transaction fees.

Our web server, MyHosting, has a problem understanding that our domain name is located elsewhere—at Network Solutions, and Steve Campi has it current until 7/2/2018. Larry talked with MyHosting and was told the problem was with a glitch in their business computer, yet today they issued an invoice for \$119.40 for hosting, yet Larry paid them about \$189 in early June for another year of hosting. To be continued...

Scholarship—Jim

Jim received a letter of appreciation from June Shrestha and closed with “Best Fishes”.

She invited our members to MLML for a personalized tour and a short presentation about her research.

UW Hockey—Carol

National championship games were June 16-18 in Cincinnati. These first-time hosts did a good job; 25 teams entered; play was at the University pool.

The 2017 world championships in Australia July 12-22 just ended. We are proud of our Junior women's team for placing 5th.

The big tourney in Dubai this month had 6 or 8 U.S. players competing.

PCCs are Oct 14-15 in Santa Clarita.

Teams are forming for 2018 worlds in Quebec. Men's tryouts are in Menlo Park this coming weekend and about 20 men are expected.

The Battle of Altitude (Denver) will be held January 26-28, 2018.

Atlantic Coast Championships (ACC) will be April 13-15, 2-018 in Quebec.

2018 U/W Hockey Nationals will be June 8-10 in Denver.

Photography—Jim

The Monterey Shootout will be held Aug. 25-27. Forty or 50 shooters have already signed up; about 100 are expected.

UW Fin Swimming—Carol

A World meet will be held in Belgrade, Serbia.

UW Rugby—Carol

A series of east coast meets is being held this summer.

A Junior (under 21) Worlds will be in November in Germany

Skin Spearfishing—Brandi

The 2017 National Meet, on August 3 still has a lot of loose ends to tie up. 45 divers have entered; there are 5 mixed teams; and there are only 3 women in the whole competition.

RAAC (Recreational Abalone Advisory Council)—Carol

The FGC arm of the DFW has been active. There are 5 commissioners, of which 2 constitute the Marine Resources Committee, and both were present at last Thursday's meeting. Sonke Mastrup presented several abalone options for 2018, but closing the abalone fishery was struck off the list. The August FGC meeting to establish next year's rules will be in Sacramento on the 16th, and Carol plans to attend.

There was supposed to be a RAAC meeting this month, but it was deemed pointless until after FGC's August meeting. It should be scheduled for the fall.

Old Business

New Business

Carol: MBNMS could possibly be opened to oil drilling in the future if the U.S. Department of Commerce lifts the current laws. Go to:

<https://www.regulations.gov/docket?D=NOAA-NOS-2017-0066> to review the documents and enter your comments.

Next meeting

Cen-Cal's next meeting will be held Wednesday, September 27, 2017, and Larry will set it up.

Adjourn at 8:45 PM.