

September 13, 2004

Dear Friends of Montana Swimming,

Attached to this letter, please find the proposals that will be considered at the Montana Swimming House of Delegates meeting October 2-3, 2004, in Helena. The meeting will be held in the Big Sky room at Jorgensons Inns and Suites at 1714 11th Avenue. The Big Sky Room is located in the back of the motel across the parking lot and is downstairs in the building. An agenda will be sent out prior to the meeting. If you need a motel room on Saturday night, Jorgensons has set aside several rooms under the Montana Swimming name for the meeting. The rooms are \$59 plus tax for 1-2 people. For reservations, call 1-800-272-1770.

On Saturday October 2 beginning at 9:00 am there will be an officials meeting. All Montana Swimming officials and trainees are encouraged to attend.

At 1:00 pm on Saturday, the "informal" meeting of Montana Swimming will be held. All the proposals will be discussed. The proposals may also be amended at this time. Everyone in attendance at this meeting may discuss the proposals and vote to recommend pass or fail for the members to consider on the Sunday House of Delegates meeting. The vote taken on Saturday is not binding on the voting members on Sunday.

On Sunday beginning at 9:00 am will be the Montana Swimming Semi-annual House of Delegates meeting. We will conduct the regular business meeting of Montana Swimming, vote on the proposals, discuss old and new business, approve the budget, elect new board members, vote on the meet host for Long Course State, and set the long course meet schedule. Voting members include the elected members of the Montana Swimming Board of Directors and one representative from each team. Clubs must notify Jamie Bleskin, the Montana Swimming Secretary, at lito1swim@hotmail.com as to who will be voting for each team along with any alternates. There will be very limited discussion of the proposals on Sunday.

If you are interested in running for a position on the Montana Swimming board, please contact Lars Halstrom, nominating committee chair at lhalstrom@fs.fed.us or me. The positions that will be voted on and current nominees include:

- General Chair held by Susan Huckleby who is running for this position;
- Administrative Vice Chair held by Di Robinson;
- Program Development Vice Chair held by Lev Bates (who can't run again due to term limits). Lisa McCarthy from MAC and Jenny Tornatore from MAC are running for this position;
- Treasurer held by Larry Johnson who is running for this position;
- Record Coordinator held by Laurie Brennan who is running for this position;

- Officials' Chair held by Mark Model who is not running for re-election. Lanny Logan is running for this position.

Once again there will be a banquet on Saturday night. The banquet will be at the Golden Corral restaurant at 2910 Prospect Avenue. The cost is \$11.38 per person, which includes the meal and drink. We will be in a separate meeting room. This is a fun time to visit and to get to know one another better. I hope everyone will be able to come. Please contact me for reservations by October 1 if possible. Plan to attend!

I'm looking forward to seeing you in Helena.

Sincerely,

Susan Huckleby
General Chair