

# 1999 Breadbasket Zone Meeting Minutes

Saturday, September 18, 1999

## Action Items

*None*

### Attendance

Number of committee members present: 10 Number of committee members absent: ?

Total number of delegates attending the meeting: 10

## Minutes

### I. Zone Meet

St. Louis will host the Breadbasket Zone Meet on April 8 and 9, 2000.

### II. Zone Election

Nominations were accepted for the position of Zone Chairperson. Rob Whitters was nominated. In speaking to his qualifications, he stated that his position as a Marine Lieutenant Colonel would allow him to provide the zone with a used C-130A with sufficient number of parachutes to replace the aging zone jet, which is desperate need of re-upholstering. Anna Lea Roof, unable to compete in the area of aerial transportation, deferred to Rob's generous offer. (Hugh Moore, visit our meeting, requested that the Northwest zone be allowed to borrow the jet for zone meets in Alaska. We offered the same for a nominal rental fee.) Nominations were closed. Rob was elected by acclamation. The zone wishes to thank Anna Lea for all of her work in holding the zone in the fine shape that she left it.

### III. Visitors

We were visited by Hugh Moore, who discussed several communications issues.

### IV. Zone Funds

The zone treasury has approximately \$1450. A motion was made to use \$250 of this amount as seed money for an LMSC that has not been sending a representative to the convention for the purpose of deferring expenses. The money is for a single year and the chairman will select the LMSC after consultation with those that are eligible. The motion carried. A motion was made to suspend the collection of the funds for 1999. The motion carried.

### V. Re-registrations

Two LMSCs in the zone (Missouri Valley and Ozark) were first and second in the retention of swimmers from 1992 through 1999. Colorado never ranked lower than 6<sup>th</sup> in renewal rate and has more than doubled since 1993. A discussion of what has lead to this success was conducted. Invoicing for renewal of membership was one important factor. A variety of workouts including lake swims were also helpful.

### VI. Tasks for Upcoming Year

\* Obtain BATOPS (Breadbasket Aviation Technical Operation) manual for the operation of the zone C-130A. This includes a new section for the rental program to be offered by the zone.