

Committee Name:	Florida LMSC Board Call	Meeting #:	#2 of 2018
LMSC President:	Bob Jennings	Vice Chair:	Jillian Wilkins
Minutes recorded by:	Cheryl Kupan	Date/time of Call:	May 6, 2018 at 4:01pm EST

Motions Passed:

- 1) Approved a motion by Cheryl Kupan to accept that last meeting's minutes.
- 2) Approved a motion by Cheryl Kupan to accept the Treasurer's report.
- 3) Approved a motion by Nancy Kryka to change reimbursement for ALTS to \$75, instead of using 25% of the ALTS \$250 class fee or \$62.50.

Motion(s) Not Passed:

- 1) Did not approve a motion by Nancy Kryka to pay for FL LMSC Board members to have their coach's fees paid by the LMSC.
- 2) Did not approve a motion by Nancy Kryka to reimburse the Villages and Gainesville meet fees, for lack of a 2nd to the motion. See full explanation under Section E.

Number of Board & Committee members present: 9

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Scott Bay, Joan Campbell, Sheila Carpenter-van Dijk, Connie Greb, Bob Jennings, Nancy Kryka, Cheryl Kupan, Anna Lea Matysek and Meegan Wilson

Number of other FL LMSC members present: 0

MINUTES:

1) **CALL TO ORDER:** The call was called to order at 4:01pm EST.

2) **APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES (Bob)**

Motion by Cheryl Kupan to approve the minutes, 2nd by Connie Greb. No discussion. All in favor, none opposed – motion passes.

3) **CONVENTION DELEGATES (Bob)**

We have 2 automatic delegates with myself, as the Coaches Chair and David Miner is the Ex Officio on the Open Water and Long Distance USMS committees.

We have a number of you on Committees that I'd like to see if you are or aren't interested in attending:

- a) Cheryl, you're on the Championships Committee and have offered to work the afternoon/evening shifts. Are you interested? Cheryl: Yes, I am interested.
- b) Scott, is on the Coaches Committee, are you interested? Scott: Yes, I would be interested.
- c) Meegan and Anna Lea are both on the History Committee, are either or both of you interested? Meegan: Yes. Anna Lea: No.
- d) Joan is on the Legislation Committee, are you interested? Joan: Yes.
- e) I will ask Laura Groselle who is on the Rules Committee as I'm sure she'll want to attend and will also ask Jack.
- f) Meegan – I believe that Jack is running for at large position, so he has to be there.
Bob – Thank you Meegan, I will follow up with both the Groselles.

Thank you all and I will get back to everyone as we will need to submit names soon.

4) **2018 CONVENTION HOSPITALITY** (Meegan)

I attended a meeting in Jacksonville with members of USMS. We will have the same suite that we did the last time Convention was in Jacksonville. There are no rooms (sleeping) in the suite, but USMS will pay for 2 rooms for the hospitality staff. It has a small refrigerator, so we'll need lots of coolers. We will provide breakfast and lunch and snacks in the evening.

Margaret Dodson of Jacksonville, has offered to help and find others locally.

Bob: Thank you Meegan. I just want to add that I expect everyone at Convention to help out at some time. [Full notes are attached].

5) **CHAIR REPORTS**

A. **FITNESS REPORT** (Connie Greb)

The first 30-minute Smarty Pants Fitness Series was a success. The Fitness Committee is continuing to explore ways to increase revenue for the continued success of the Fitness events moving forward. Two rules 1) there are no rules and 2) have fun.

The Smarty Pants Fitness series focuses on and fitness of swimming whether you swim on your own or with a group. Next event: 2K Swim- Event# 2 of 3 for 2018. Event Dates July 15-31, entries open May 1 and entries close July 31.

Adult Learn to Swim: The Villages completed first session in late March with 20 students. The next scheduled session begins May 7.

B. **SENIOR GAMES REPORT** (Joan Campbell)

Anna Lea has covered much of the day to day reporting from Senior Games. Since she is privy to the requests for recognition and contacts as well as the participants in these games, it seems to be an efficient way to handle things. Without such information I am unable to follow up on these instances.

I believe we are still unaware of "who's in charge" of the State Senior Games. At least I have been unable to determine this. This means we have not come to any conclusion regarding the Recognition Fees from the State organization.

Unfortunately, National records made by Betty Lorenzi at the Capital Senior Games were denied because of the timing system. Although this is not an issue in local meets qualifying for State competition, those who are asking for Recognition should be aware of the new requirements for timing systems. The form used for observers for those meets should clarify this in detail!

The remaining local senior games are listed on the flasports.com website. In order for a Florida resident to swim in the State Senior Games in December they must qualify at a local senior game – qualification is to be in top five of an event. Any event in the local meet will qualify you for the State Games. The State Senior Games will be a qualifying meet for the Albuquerque National Senior Games next June. Many of us will be traveling to New Mexico for that event. Looks like a fun meet.

C. **NEWSLETTER** (Sheila Carpenter-van Dijk)

Sheila: The next newsletter will be published in October. Therefore, the deadline is September 15.

I will send a reminder to Meredith to ask that she send an email to the LMSC for any articles.

Meegan: Don't you mean the next issue is August?

Sheila: So, August issue, deadline July 15th. I'm going to try something new with the next newsletter. Also, we still have 4-5 newsletters that I mail out every month.

D. **WEBSITE** (Meegan Wilson)

I received the list of awards that were presented at our Awards Social from Erin Condon and updated the awards pages. Congratulations to all who received awards.

Meredith alerted me that Dave Miner was not listed on the contact page and I added him back. Not sure why he disappeared. Sorry Dave!

Nancy Kryka, Jim Matysek and I have been communicating about our website and possible changes. Jim has set up automatic renewal for our domain name. He indicated that due to the launch of the new USMS website, they may stop hosting LMSC websites which has been a free service to LMSCs. Jim will see about setting up an alternate back up scheme just in case that service stops as well. We may have to switch servers if USMS stops providing this service to us.

I appreciate any additions, corrections, or suggestions to the website.

E. **TREASURER'S REPORT** (Nancy Kryka)

I submitted the Treasurer's report. Individual registration fees we collect are down \$1,400 compared to last year and number of registrations are down to 180 vs. last year.

For the 2019 budget, I have 3 changes I'd like to propose:

- 1) I'd like to make a motion that similar to how we pay fees for the FL LMSC Board members, I'd like to suggest we pay the Coaches' fee.

Discussion: Scott: Thank you Nancy, but my club pays my fees and I would bet most clubs pay their coaches fees or get reimbursed for it. Overall, group is not receptive to the idea.

- 2) I'd like to make a motion to change reimbursement for ALTS to \$75, instead of using 25% of the ALTS \$250 class fee or \$62.50. 2nd by Joan, All in Favor, None opposed.

- 3) I'd like to make a motion that next year to reimburse the Villages and Gainesville meet fees since we currently aren't doing so like our other LMSC meets.

Discussion: Bob – The Villages Rec Dept pays our Club Assistant fees and I believe the Gainesville Rec Dept also pays as does Ocala's.

I'd like to encourage these meet directors to use Club Assistant and not pay clubs who don't use it. Overall, group is not receptive to the idea.

F. **SANCTIONS REPORT** (Anna Lea Matysek)

Pretty much everything is in the report. No real problems. All 2018 events in the Florida LMSC that have been issued a Sanction or Recognition number (events with no date listed are expected to be held in 2018).

New Open Water event: I approved a sanction for a new open water swim event. The Coquina Cup event will be held on May 19 at Flagler Beach. I do not anticipate this being a large event, so I don't think the fee for the USMS sanction will be as high as it is for our established open water events. (The USMS open water sanction fee is \$100 plus \$5 per participant up to a maximum of \$1000.) If this event draws 100 USMS participants, as an example, then the sanction fee owed by the FL-LMSC will be \$100 plus \$5 x 100 for a total of \$600.

Senior Games recognition fees: In my January report, I described a letter that was sent to the Florida Sports Foundation with a proposal for them to pay a fixed amount for USMS recognition fees for senior games meets. Joannie Campbell subsequently learned that the two people from the Sports Foundation that we had met (and sent the letter) were no longer working there.

SANCTIONS REPORT (continued)

So, I began collecting a \$50 recognition fee from each event that applied for USMS recognition. I have not been collecting the payment before approving the recognition; I write to the event director, explain the fee, and then as long as they agree that they will be able to pay it, I approve the recognition.

The only meet that has been held but has not yet paid the recognition fee is the University of Tampa meet that was held on April 14. The event director stated that the check was in the mail, but Nancy Kryka has not received it. (Nancy has moved; her old address was on the first invoice that I sent and her new address was on the second invoice.) I will continue to follow up with them.

Other Issues:

Gainesville Senior Games: This meet is scheduled for September 23. We need to find a volunteer who is willing to be the "USMS observer" for this meet to ensure that the meet follows the proper rules. As an FYI (this is not part of the observer's duties), this meet is held in a bulkhead course, which means the pool must be measured before and after the meet. There have been issues in the past with the measurements not meeting USMS standards.

Capital City Senior Games: Betty Lorenzi swam in this meet and set several potential national USMS records. The meet director filled out all of the record paperwork, and I forwarded it to Mary Beth Windrath (national USMS swims administrator). It turned out that the records could not count because the timing system that was used at the meet was a "semi-automatic" timing system. In the future, when these meets apply for recognition, I can send them some sort of statement that explains that USMS records can only be set at recognized meets when certain types of timing systems are used (times will still count for USMS Top 10).

[Full notes are attached].

G. ***REGISTRAR'S REPORT*** (Bob read in Meredith Moore's absence)

As of May 1, 2018, we have 1909 members registered for 2018. That is about 90% of the total 2017 member registrations for the same time last year of 2118. 1030 male - 54% 879 female - 46%. We have 64 registered clubs in 2018. We have had quite a few new clubs register in the past couple of month. [Full notes are attached].

6) ***OLD BUSINESS***

Bob: Scott, can you update us on Pan AMs

Scott: Registered swimmers is at 1,375 for swimming. The 800 free will close by June, so tell your teams.

Cheryl: Scott when will we be able to see who signed up from our team?

Scott: Glad you asked that, within the next 48 hours. We had 2 teams with the SPM team abbreviation, St Pete Masters and Sao Paolo Masters, which we have changed for this meet. So, when the rosters are out, please check and make sure those who registered and get back to us if they are not.

Relays: after the individual entries have closed, we will open up the online registration for relays. Those swimming relays have to be entered in the meet, you cannot just swim relays.

7) **NEW BUSINESS**

Meegan: Swim magazine – Volunteer profile

In case you haven't seen it, Jillian was featured in the new Swim magazine.

Cheryl: FL LMSC Records

Since late last year I've had issues trying to access a lot of pages on the USMS site, especially the Top 10 page. I've had some dialog with a couple of folks at USMS to resolve the issue and the response I always get is "We've never seen this happen before." Proceeded to tell me to do a bunch on things on my computer and nothing worked. Then, I had high hopes with the new website, which is horrible, I thought it might clean the slate, but same problems. This has happened on both my home laptop & my work laptop. I bring this up as a result that I've not been able to update the records, but will have people send me lists if I cannot gain access.
Bob: Keep on USMS with the website. As far as the records, you have a life...when you can update them is fine.

Bob: Elections

Just a reminder that whoever is running to let Sheila know to include in the August newsletter.

Motion by Bob to adjourn, 2nd by ALL, All in favor, none opposed.
The meeting was adjourned at 4:52pm EST.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- ✓ Convention report/update
- ✓ Fitness report
- ✓ Newsletter report
- ✓ Registrar report
- ✓ Sanctions report
- ✓ Senior Games report
- ✓ Website report
- ✓ Treasurer's report