

FLORIDA LMSC MEETING MINUTES
April 2, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Chair Meegan Wilson*FACT at 1:16 pm.

The following members were in attendance:

- Marianne Bradley*FACT
- Jim Matysek* SYSM-1
- Anna Lea Matysek, SYSM
- Joan Campbell* Senior Games Liason – FACT-1
- David Miner* Long Distance Chair SYSM-2
- Sherri Bogue* FMM-1
- Peter Nickodem* HLJ
- Margie Hutinger* FMM-2
- Meredith Moore* Registrar T2NM
- Ted Bradley, Vendor
- Fernette Ramnath* Secretary SYSM
- Bill Brenner* SYSM
- Charles Kohnken* Officials Chair SPM-1
- Patricia Tullman* Sanctions FMM
- Sue Moucha* Fitness Chair FMM-3
- Fred Pigott (attended as a guest)
- Rick Walker* SYSM-3
- Pam Geiger* SPM-2
- Patty Nardozzi* SPM-3
- Scott Bay *Coaches Chair DBMS-1
- Debbie Roberts (by proxy) DBMS2

A total of 21 members attended the meeting; 7 clubs were represented. The total number of voting delegates was 18 plus one proxy for 19 votes (didn't count Fred or Anna Lea).

*Indicates voting members

Verify Voting Members

Numbers after team designate the team voting representative pursuant to Florida LMSC Bylaws as of 4/14/2007 Sec. 5.03 Eligibility to Vote. For Example SPM-1, SPM-2, and SPM-3 designates the three voting representatives allowed for SPM since their team falls within the 199-298 classification. Board Members do not count towards a team's voting representative's allotment.

Approval of Minutes

- A. Approval of July 17, 2010 Minutes (Taken by Victor Buehler) were tabled because minutes were not available.
- B. Approval of Annual Meeting, October 16, 2010 Minutes – Meegan Wilson presented the minutes taken by Marly Wilson. Scott Bay moved that the minutes be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

Reports of Officers and Committee Chairs

A. Treasurer's Report – James Stine

Report was tabled. Member was absent.

B. Registrar Report – Meredith Moore

Current Membership – As of March 31, 2011 there are 1,405 registered members. Almost 18% of these are new members. With open water season approaching, registrations are anticipated to pick up. 71% of the registrations are online as compared to 61% last year. We have 51 clubs registered, which includes four new clubs: OYSC, Ormand YMCA Swim Club, T2NM, T2 Naples Masters, WET, Water Exercise Technologies, and YCFM, Y of Central Florida Masters. There were ten clubs who did not renew their registration. Bill Brenner moved that the report be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

C. Top Ten Report – Bill Brenner

Bill thanked Marly Wilson for making the position transition from Marly to Bill a smooth process. He also thanked Jim Mateysek, USMS Web Master, for his assistance. It was requested that meet directors provide more information when submitting results, specifically birth dates and USMS numbers if the swimmers are registered. This is especially important in the Senior Games where many swimmers are not members of USMS. Birth dates are required to properly record the results. Scott Bay moved to accept the report. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Sanctions Report – Patricia Tillman

To date, nine pool meets, six open water events, and seven recognized meets have been sanctioned. Pat confirmed that two named officials are required to get a meet recognized. It was also noted that the new sanctioning forms became active in February 2011. These forms require the names of officials in order to obtain a sanction or recognition from the FL LMSC. Sherri Bogue moved to accept the report. The motion was carried unanimously.

E. Newsletter Report – Meegan Wilson

Meegan advised that Jason Brauer resigned his position. Meegan requested that all newsletter information be sent to her until the position is filled. The deadline for inclusion in the May newsletter is April 8th. Scott Bay moved to accept the Newsletter Report. The motion was carried unanimously.

F. Social and Awards Report– Marianne Bradley

The 2011 Florida LMSC Awards Banquet was held on February 12 following the first day of the Valentines Meet at Clearwater. It was well attended with 73 members and guests, including Mark Roberson from the City of Clearwater. The cost of the dinner was \$1,105.66. \$735 was collected from the attendees and the LMSC subsidized the event with \$370.66. Ed Nettle was awarded the Sue Moucha Overcoming Adversity Award, Rick Walker was awarded Coach of the Year, Sue Moucha and Marly Wilson were awarded the Special Service Recognition Award, and Patricia Tullman and Marianne Bradley were awarded Club Service Awards. Top Ten Long Distance and Pool Swimming awards were presented along with the Leather Lung Awards. Scott Bay moved that the report be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

G. Official's Chair Report – Charlie Kohnken

Charlie advised that he needs the names of the Officials for the meets. He asked that he be sent this information. Pat Tullman mentioned that the sanction forms now require the names of the Officials, as of February, and that she now has this information before the sanction is issued. Sherry Bogue moved that the Sanctions Chair send the name of the meet, the dates, the meet directors' names, and the named officials to the Official's Chair prior to issuing a sanction. The motion was carried unanimously.

H. Fitness Report – Sue Moucha

Sue reported that she sent in the article for the LMSC Newsletter and that she has not received any communications from the USMS Fitness Coordinator to share. She is expecting information via e-mail shortly. Pam Geiger moved that the report be accepted. The motion was carried unanimously.

I. Web Page Report – Meegan Wilson

Meegan started the meeting with this report out of turn so that Ted Bradley would not have to wait around any longer than necessary. Meegan advised the members that she and Ted made several changes to the web site in an attempt to make it easier to navigate. Ted is at the end of his contract period which has paid him \$150 monthly. Ted suggested that the duties are light and that someone could easily take over the position. He is also willing to work on an as needed basis. Ted also mentioned that the site gets between 1000 – 2000 page loads a month and that we could possibly advertise and collect between \$50-\$200 per year. We are still looking for a webmaster. Meegan is the contact person and is performing the duties until someone volunteers. Sherri Bogue moved that we retain Ted Bradley on a per update basis. The motion was carried unanimously.

J. Senior Games Report – Joan Campbell

The Florida State Games were held in Fort Myers December 4-5, 2010 and they were well run. Attendance was excellent and records were broken. The Games will be changing venue to Lakeland in 2011. The Senior Games Nationals will be held in Houston June 27-30, 2011. The Villages has over 20 swimmers registered for the games. The Good Life Games were not well attended but electronic timing was provided at both ends of the 50 m pool for the first time. There may be a need for assistance in promoting this event in the future. Sherri Bogue moved to accept the report. The motion was carried unanimously.

K. Coaches Report – Scott Bay

On the national level there are several opportunities coming up for coaches to get ASCA certified. There is a push from USMS to raise the level of professionalism and assist Master's swimmers by providing training and other resources. The next ASCA training opportunities are Swim Fest 2011 and the Convention in Jacksonville in September, 2011. Additionally, Scott mentioned that he will be at USMS nationals in Mesa and is available to assist any of our swimmers from the LMSC while at the meet. Pat Tullman moved to accept the report. The motion carried unanimously.

L. Long Distance Report – Dave Miner

Dave attended the Open Water Safety Conference in San Francisco March 18-20, 2011. He presented a report of events at the conference.

Old Business

A. Committee to Investigate Club Fee Collection

Sherry stated that the committee to investigate club fee collection never met.

B. Officials and Meet Directors Responsibilities – Tabled from Last Meeting

It was agreed that the topic was already covered in the Official's Chair report earlier in the meeting.

C. Financial Planning Committee

Margie reported that they did not meet. Dave, Scott, Bill and Rick are going to write an article about swim fest for the newsletter. USMS has resources for coaches to visit clubs which could be used in conjunction with the FL LMSC resources.

D. Technical & Planning Committee

It was agreed that the issues were already addressed in the Coach's report earlier in the meeting.

E. Laser Measuring Apparatus

Per Meegan, the laser measuring apparatus has not been assembled to date.

New Business

A. Newsletter Editor

It was agreed that the interim position was covered earlier in the meeting by Meegan.

B. Convention in Jacksonville

Meegan stated that the four Florida delegates to convention will be Meredith Moore, Margie Hutingler, Scott Bay and Bill Brenner. Joan Campbell, Victor Buehler, Laura Grossell, and Meegan Wilson are automatic delegates because of the USMS Committees they represent. At-Large-Delegate requests for Patty Nardozzi, Sue Moucha, Dave Miner, Jack Grossell will be submitted, Marianne Bradley, Pete Nickodem, Betty Lorenzi, and Bob Jennings will be volunteering in the Hospitality suite.

Jim Matysek moved that the LMSC pay the expenses of the following delegates to convention: Meegan; Victor; and Scott (to the extent that their expenses are not covered by USMS); Joan Campbell; Bill Brenner; Meredith Moore; Margie Hutingler; Dave Miner; Patty Nardozzi; Sue Moucha; Jack and Laura Grossell; and hospitality suite representatives: Marianne Bradley, Betty Lorenzi, Bob Jennings, and Pete Nickodem. The motion was carried unanimously.

Bill Brenner moved that the LMSC provide \$25 a day per diem while traveling for events other than convention. The motion was carried unanimously.

Rick Walker moved that the LMSC increase meal compensation from \$10 to \$15 a day for convention. The motion was carried unanimously.

C. Online Registration for Meet Entries

Jim Matysek moved that the LMSC provide compensation to clubs for all on-line entry administrative costs for USMS sanctioned meets for one year starting May 1, 2011. The motion was carried unanimously.

D. Doing Away With Sanction Fees

Jim Mateysek moved that we abolish sanction fees. The motion was carried unanimously.

E. Reducing One-Event Registration from \$19 to \$12

Rick Walker moved that we table the OEVT fee issue. The motion was carried unanimously.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 pm.

Respectively Submitted,

Fernette Ramnath
Secretary