Committee Name: Florida LMSC Board Meeting Session #: Report #:

LMSC President: Scott Bay Vice Chair: Jillian Wilkins

Minutes recorded by: Cheryl Kupan Date/time of meeting: March 23, 2013 1:15pm EST

Motions Passed:

- 1. For 2013, the additional insurance fee for all Open Water events will be covered by the FL LMSC.
- 2. June 29th & June 30th, approved motion to host a Level 1&2 Coaches Certification course in Orlando, FL.
- 3. FL LMSC covers \$1,000 for hosting the June 29th & June 30th Coaches Certification course and any FL coach will get up to \$50 reimbursement upon successful completion of the course.

Number of Board members present: 8

Number of other delegates present: 10

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Scott Bay, Marianne Bradley, Joan Campbell, Bob Jennings, Joyce Hutchinson, John King, Cheryl Kupan, Anna Lee Matysek, Jim Matysek, David Miner(on the phone), Patty Nardozzi, Rae Suttie, Rick Walker, Jillian Wilkins, Meegan Wilson, Sherri Bogue

Minutes

- 1) CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 1:15pm EST.
- 2) APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES (Scott): Motion to approve last meeting's minutes; All approved.

3) OPEN WATER SANCTIONS

Scott summarized new Open Water (OW hereafter) rules. Any event sanctioned, has to pay an additional \$1,000 for insurance. LMSC can pay or event director can pass along the cost by increasing entry fees.

- 2 OW events withdrew: Frogman, Fernandida Beach
- 3 OW events on calendar were sanctioned & approved under old OW rules.
 - 5K champ totally funded by USMS as Nat'l Champs (already signed contract & couldn't pull)
 - PanAMs & Hurricane Man both sanctioned & additional \$1k for insurance will be absorbed by LMSC.
- Dave: suggests cover those costs; event directors don't have time to revise entry fees. In 2014, readdress again, but cover all in 2013. For ST, bite the bullet, sanction & not discourage other events for add'l costs.
- Joan: grants to those groups that can't raise money, why not assist the OW events?
- Scott: 2013 if already sanction, no time to absorb the costs. 2014: revise sanctioning. Lg vs. sm events, costs absorption is dif.
- Dave: a lot of the race fees go to fundraising efforts, no opportunity to change fees now.
- Joan: Southern California sanctioned OW under USS to avoid the add'l fees.
- Patty: some are going to outside USMS insurers, like Tampa Bay Marathon.
- Sherry: not enough in the budget to fund all OW in 2013. Mindful of where the money is going & can't fund all OW events. There isn't enough to fund 5 OW events.
- Jim: just need to show proof of insurance
- Scott: what's in the bank as we're only looing at \$4,000.
- Sherry; \$50,000,. We owe Sarasota \$4,000 for PanAMs, there's an outstanding reimbursement of \$3,000-4,000, OW \$2,000 for the 2 OW events already sanctioned for 2013 and then for convention.
- Rick: 2013: What's not sanctioned yet?
- Scott: It is in our best interest to keep all on the calendar in 2013, then readdress in 2014
- Jim: Motion to cover all OW events for 2013, 2nd by Rick, All in Favor, No objections
- Anna Lee: Do we go back to the events that were not sanctioned and offer funding?
- Jim: Motion to offer \$1K to Amelia Island swim to bring back on calendar. All in favor, no objection, motion carried. Tropical Splash hasn't been sanctioned, so they can absorb additional costs per swimmer
- Anna Lee: Suggest we follow up with each OW event to get post race results to gauge estimates for 2014.
- Mary Ann: Suggest we not set an amount of funding per event for 2014, until we know what the insurance is.
- Scott: think about a little more; putting band aid on something that we can't fix. Any more OW items? None

4) USMS CERTIFICATION CLASS IN FLORIDA

- Jillian: FL will be hosting a certification clinic, coaches & swimmers clinic. We have free space at a local High School in Orlando for the classroom session the weekend of June 22 or 29 (both Saturdays). The Sunday after we have pool space for stoke clinics at \$85/hour rental fee or 2 hours for \$170. Need to vote on a weekend to lock it the dates.
- Clinic: Level 1&2 certifications which is about \$2900 guaranteed revenues; coaches from other LMSCs pay; no one has lost money on these clinics.

- Anna Lee: What is the estimated number of participants expected?
- Scott: 24-30 people, 40 maximum. Fees are \$70 for Level 1, \$120 for Level 1&2. With 25 participants, we break even. Do we fund all FL coaches? We can increase the numbers by posting certified coaches on USMS, increase memberships. Can break out into tri training, educate non-swimmer background coaches.
- Fred: Does USMS require to have certified coaches?
- Scott: There are currently 500 certified already and offer 3 levels of certification. We can get Levels 1&2 done in 1 day.
- Sherry: Motion to have clinic June 29th & June 30th with the FL LMSC's support. Jim: Second; All Favored; Motion approved.
- Scott: Should we cover the FL coaches fees for the weekend? 80-90% are supported in exit questionnaires.
- AnnaLee: How to decide who gets reimbursed?
- Scott: We should set a dollar amount.
- Move by Sherry that the FL LMSC covers \$1,000 for hosting the June 29th & June 30th Coaches Certification course and any FL coach will get up to \$50 reimbursement upon successful completion of the course.

5. SUMMARY OF SOCIAL CHAIR & CHAIR REPORTS:

Social chair report (also attached) – **Marianne Bradley**:

- Volunteer fatigue: on our website all LMSC responsibilities & volunteers; went thru last year @operations & where we're deficient. i.e., Awards: too much for 1 so we decided to have a committee chaired by Maryann & recruit volunteers. Bring in new volunteers.
- Awards: No help from Top 10, got Jillian to help with the program and the Top 10 from Jim M. Program & Awards could use some help.
- Awards Banquet: 48 people \$480, total bill \$808, \$328 cost to LMSC; Over \$10 subsidized by LMSC. Input on advanced noticed Coaches award & Sue Moucha award. Award winners not included until the following year. 1 month prior send email to everyone received award. Scott suggests that the Top awards definitely should be announced ahead of time. Any ideas on a new venue as we may have outgrown
- In need of Top 10 Replacement: computer skills, competition background.
- FL LMSCs deficiencies:
 - a. Officials chair (fixed),
 - b. People giving folks too many jobs, FL needs 1 person per job.
 - c. Needed co-Chair to rewrite bylaws (fixed)
 - d. Problems with not sending in results within 2 week period.
 - e. Webmaster: It was suggested they contact Club Assistant which have reasonable prices to build website. A 2nd suggestion was to use Team Unify is free. Scott will have Jillian look into alternatives. What do we want on the site?

Senior Games Liaison Report (see attachment) – Joan Campbell

- The December FL State Senior games were well attended. The National Senior Games qualifiers have been notified of their qualifying status.
- Cleveland is hosting the National Senior Games meet July 19, 2013 to August 1, 2013 and most do not know the qualification standards.
- The times at the FL meet at Polk Pool cannot be used as the pool measurement was short & DQ'd all the times.

Officials: No new news. Suggest we subsidize sending 1 official to go to Nationals & PanAMs to gain experience in meets at a National & International level. Suggest a \$300-\$500 stipend. Table for now.

Coaches: No updates from Gary

Fitness: Pat for Sue. Report on how Sue was able to spread the message of lifelong fitness to middle school by demonstrating her abilities to such things as splits and the like. It was well received and inspiring for the students.

Registrar: Anna Lea for Meredith; We are way ahead of last year – 8% registration increase vs a year ago for a total of 1,589 registered FL LMSC swimmers. Total of 56 Registered Clubs of which there are 6 new Clubs.

Sanctions: So far, 4 short course yard competitions have been held & recorded. All results posted.

Finance (Sherri): We are making progress on the signature cards. I have some checks I will write today so Scott can sign & will mail out.

- 6. OLD BUSINESS: None
- 7. NEW BUSINESS: None
- 8. MISCELLANEOUS:

- Pan AMs update: Registration is over 700. Volunteer website sign up for jobs online. Meredith to send to all FL LMSC registered swimmers to get volunteers for the meet. We're in need of translators. New locker rooms. We had a fundraiser where we raised money for new Myrtha blocks for both ends of the pool that was used at our short course meters meet.
- Scott: If you would like to be a delegate for this year's Convention, send your request to Scott Bay via email.
- We have 5 delegates sport.
- Reminder that we will be hosting the 2014 Convention in Jacksonville.

Motion to adjourn; All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00pm EST