FLORIDA LMSC Board Meeting, May 22, 2025

Session #: 1

Chair: Cheryl Kupan Vice Chair: Kirk Clear

Minutes recorded by: Cheryl Kupan Date/time of May 22, 2025,7:00pm EDT

meeting:

Motions Passed:

1) The Annual Meeting Minutes from February 26, 2025, were approved as edited.

- 2) The Finance, Membership and Committee Reports were approved.
- 3) Proposed Rules Change supported by FL LMSC was approved
- 4) A motion to adjourn at 8:11 PM EST was approved.

1) Motions Not Passed: None

No. of Committee members present: 10 Absent: 2 Number of other delegates present: 0

Committee members present: Cheryl Kupan/Chair, Kirk Clear/Vice Chair, Terri Goodman/Treasurer, Zena Courtney/Secretary, Scott Bay, Andy Kroupa, Anna Lea Matysek, Cindi Wood, Meegan Wilson, Eileen Sedacca

Committee members Absent: William Kloppe, Carter Elliott

May 22, 2025 MINUTES:

The meeting was called to order by Cheryl at 7:00 PM EDT.

A. WELCOME & ROLL CALL (Cheryl Kupan)

B. APPROVAL OF THE LAST MEETING'S MINUTES (Zena Courtney)

Zena re-sent out Minutes after the meeting started. Cheryl shared her minor comments highlighted in aqua. Motion to approve by Anna Lea with edits as shared by Cheryl, seconded by Scott Bay, all in favor and none opposed. Motion passed.

C. FINANCE REPORT (Terri Goodman)

Financials look great. Net Worth from 2021 through May 22, 2025 shows we've gained \$20,000 after switching from Bank of America in 2021. The LMSC is collecting more than it is spending. So far in 2025 we've had \$17.4K in income and just under \$4K in expenses, so results in about \$13.4K more in the bank. Cheryl asked about sanction and recognition fees listed in the report. The last few pages of the report contained the Actuals to Budget numbers, Motion to approve was made by Scott Bay to approve the finance report, seconded by Anna Lea, all in favor and none opposed. Motion passed.

D. MEMBERSHIP REPORT (Cindi Woods)

Cindi provided the Membership Report showing status quo for mid-year with 2,071 Members registered; 1096 were men, 975 were women. In 2024 there were 1830 registered. We have 63 clubs this year so far vs 67 clubs last year. Motion by Scott Bay to approve the membership report, seconded by Eileen Sedacca, all in favor and none opposed. Motion passed.

Meeting moved on the Cindi's Officials report (Cindi Wood) – The Officials committee is recommending Hasty to standardize badges between USA-S and USMS. USMS Official certification will be posted on the Web by end or mid-June; just need to pay a fee for certification. Anna Lea and Cindi are working on a list of all certified officials.

E. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- Open Water & Long Distance (Andy Kroupa) Open Water Nationals were held in Sarasota on April 4th (1 mile swim) and 5th (5K swim) and was successful; they had 233 participants. There is pool 5K and 10K virtual championship that opened on May 15th through Sept 15th 2025. \$15 to register.
- 2. Coaches (Scott Bay) Scott has no report.
- 3. Newsletter & Website (Meegan Wilson) The May 2025 newsletter has been posted and link sent to the membership. We have a page on our website with all of our clubs with links, their contact info and practice location. Board meeting days have moved from Wed evenings to Thursday evenings. Board committee reports received by Meegan have been added to website.
- 4. Records (Eileen Sedacca) Cheryl has old excel files for records that she can't access. Cheryl has Word format as well. Eileen will change data over to Excel file.
- 5. Senior Games (Carter Elliott) Carter did not attend nor provide a report.
- 6. Sanctions & Top Ten (Anna Lea) Report summarizes meet so far and the rest of 2025. Anna Lea is still waiting for SPM meet information. SPM is looking for a new coach. Anna Lea provided a picture of progress of new pool at Shelby Aquatic Center. It will be 25 yards x 25 meters. Bolles and Bumpy Jones will be on same weekend. Bolles short notice, event at the end of kids meet. Bolles will not draw away from Bumpy attendance. Rowdy meet moved to Jan 30-Feb 2, 2026. Scott Bay will send out alert, already on SE Zone calendar.

Motion by Scott Bay to approve all Committee reports to be approved, second by Kirk Clear, all in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

F. Old Business

- 1. We need volunteers to work on Meet Stipend proposal (Lead Anna Lea Matysek)
- 2. We need volunteers to work on Membership fee assistance proposal (Lead Kirk Clear)
- 3. Cheryl did first stab at By-Laws (Lead Cheryl Kupan)

G. New Business

- 1. 2025 USMS LMSC Standards Survey are due June 1, 2025 submitted by Chair, Treasurer and Sanctions Chair.
- 2. Proposed Rules Change (Zena Courtney)

Recommend Rules Committee change the Trans Policy to align to World Aquatics policy versus the unique current policy currently approved by the USMS Board of Directors. If House of Delegates (HOD) approval is needed, Anna Lea noted that the HOD only meets once a year. There was discussion including history and current protests as a result of 2025 San Antonio SCY Nationals. So far, 25 FL LMSC members have requested their membership be refunded due to this current Trans Policy. Motion by Anna Lea to approve FL LMSC sponsoring rules proposal as edited to align with World Aquatics policy, second by Scott Bay, all in favor, none opposed. Motion passed.

- 3. Andy recommended Zena to attend Hybrid Convention as a delegate, Sept 12-14, 2025.
- 4. Cindi Wood asked Eileen to propose that the FL LMSC provide funds to teams to pay for the timing company. It may be added to the Old Business topic of Meet Stipend.

A motion by Scott Bay to adjourn, second by Terri Goodman, all in favor, no one opposed. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:11PM.