

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL FLMSC MEETING, APRIL 3, 1993

The general business meeting, held at the North Shore Pool in St. Pete, was called to order by John Maguire.

Present: Chairman John Maguire; Secretary Meegan Wilson; Treasurer Richard L. Avery; Newsletter Editor Frank Tillotson; Registrar Charles Kohnken. The following clubs were represented: Dave Perkey, CATM; Pate Cantrell, FAST; Richard Avery, HLJ; John P. Bishop, SPM; Mike Castle, TEAM; and Al Rogerson, BSAM.

I. General Business

A. Treasurer Report

Richard Avery reported a bank balance of \$10,342.53.

B. Registrar Report

Charles Kohnken reported that we have 782-783 members. We need 800 members to have 3 delegates represent the FLMSC at the National Convention.

Charlie requests that club registrars review each registrations carefully and correct any errors before sending them to him. Many forms sent in have address errors, etc. He is preparing an instruction sheet that will help registrars.

We also need to update Club Delegates and/or team representatives. Each Club should designate a Club Delegate who will represent their team at LMSC meetings and accept the responsibility of passing on LMSC information to their membership.

C. Recorder's Report

Catie Cooper sent her report since she was unable to attend. At the time of this meeting Catie has still not received the results of the Tampa meet. She reminds meet directors that they should get their results to her within three weeks after the meet to assure that no fees are deducted from their security deposit.

Relay times at Y-Nationals will count for top 10 consideration, if the official results, a copy of each members USMS Registration Card, and a xerox copy of the official relay card is sent to Catie Cooper. The relay card must contain the name of the USMS club, the names and ages of all 4 relay members, the event and event #, and the heat and lane assignment. All four relay members must be registered to the same USMS team. She suggests that the above information be sent to her as soon as possible.

D. Newsletter

Frank Tillotson requested that all newsletter items be sent either to John Maguire or to Meegan Wilson since he will be out of town for the next newsletter. Newsletter items are due by April 23 for mid May publication.

II. New Business

A. "Coach Of The Year" and Male/Female "Swimmers Of The Year" John Maguire requests that clubs send in their LMSC "Coach of the Year" nominations by May 15. Ballots will be sent to LMSC members and the winner will be sent on for National consideration. This award is presented annually to the coach who has done the most to further the objectives of Masters Swimming. These objectives can be found in the 1993 Rules book.

He also requests that nominations for Male and Female "Swimmer of the Year" be submitted by June 1. These nominations should include the swimmers accomplishments and other reasons for their nomination. Ballots will be sent to FLMSC members and the winners will be announced at the St. Pete Long Course Championships on July 16-18.

B. Meet Scheduling

John Bishop suggests that meets be scheduled further in advance so that there is less chance of overlap. The Clearwater meet was not well attended and conflicted with the Florida Gold Coast LMSC meet in Boca. He also feels that there are too many meets which decreases attendance. John Maguire said one problem is that the host team fails to obtain a commitment from facilities far enough in advance. Commitments should be obtained at least 5 - 7 months in advance.

Other suggestions for increasing attendance were to change meet formats, hold dual meets, and hold meets at new places. Both Richard Avery and John Bishop have talked with Tiger Holmes about having a meet in Jacksonville.

Dave Perkey announced that the long course meters meet, August 7-8, in Clearwater has been canceled due to the high cost of renting the LongCenter. The two day meet would cost \$1500 just to rent the pool.

C. 1993 National Convention

The 1993 National Convention will be held in Los Angeles in September 22- 26. The Florida LMSC can send 3 delegates. John Maguire will consider those who are interested in attending.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,
Meegan Wilson
Secretary