

Minutes of the Florida Local Masters Swim Committee Meeting July 15, 1995

The Florida LMSC meeting was held at the North Shore Pool in St. Petersburg during the LCM St. Pete Masters Swimming Championships. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harold Ferris at 2:52 p.m.

Others present were: Chip Jones, Treasurer; Charles Kohnken, Registrar; Jim Donnelly, Newsletter Editor; Bill Uhrich, Sanctions; Jeff Perout, Records; Meegan Wilson, Secretary; Al Rogerson, SPCO; Ann Wilder, IRCC; Larry Peck, ORLM; Jerry Glancy, SMS; Larry Black, SWIM; Kelly Allen and Ron Collins, JAM; Bill Rodenfels and Gertrude Zint, HLJ; Bill Specht and Margie Hutinger, SPM; Kelly Bergdoll, FAST; and Catie Cooper, FAM.

I. Minutes - The minutes of the April 8, 1995 Meeting were approved as they appeared in the May 1995 Florida LMSC newsletter.

II. Reports of Officers

A. Treasurer Report - Chip Jones reported a cash balance of \$7289.18 as of June 30, 1995 which is an increase of \$251.37 from the March 31st balance of \$7037.81. Major expenses until the end of the year will be the newsletter and the National Convention. Chip presented the following report:

Florida LMSC Treasurer's Report Six months ended June 30, 1995

Cash Balance - January 1, 1995 \$4,272.68

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Revenues	
Registrations	\$15,272.00
Inter LMSC transfers	27.00
Out of LMSC transfers	44.00
Club registrations	160.00
New club registrations	120.00
Sanction fees	255.00
Miscellaneous	138.88
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Total Revenues	16,016.88
Total Balance	\$20,289.56
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Expenses	
Registrations	9,990.00
Transfers	19.50
Clubs	120.00
Newsletter	1,654.80
Postage	651.85
Rule books	180.00
Fees on registrations	192.60
Miscellaneous	191.63
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Total Expenses	\$13,000.38
Cash Balance - June 30, 1995	\$ 7,289.18
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The Treasurer's report was approved as read.

B. Registration Report - Charles Kohnken reported that as of July 12, 1995 the Florida LMSC has 1077 swimmers. We are ahead of 1994's total of 1013. There are 325 swimmers from 1994 that have not reregistered. Charlie has sent a roster to each club as well as a list of those swimmers not reregistering. He asks each club registrar to determine why some swimmers have not rejoined the Florida LMSC.

C. Records Report - Jeff Perout has all meet results from Florida SCY meets. The deadline for turning in results to National Top 10 Recorder Walt Reed is July 15. Jeff has corresponded with Walt and will have the results in soon.

D. Sanctions Report - Bill Uhrich said his last sanction for 1995 is the SCM Orlando Meet.

E. Newsletter Report - Jim Donnelly reported that over 1160 May '95 newsletters were printed at a cost of \$924.80. A total of 35 pages were printed, up from 22 in the February issue. He has had a great response getting material from our members. He asked for club reports and for questions to ask Mr. D.Q. as well as entry forms and pertinent swimming photos. Jim congratulated Margie Hutinger for having her St.Pete Silver Anniversary article (May '95 FL LMSC Newsletter) published in July/Aug '95 Swim Magazine.

III. Old Business

A. Top 5 Florida Rule - Our Top 5 Rule that states that in order for a time to count toward our Florida Top 5 it must be attained at a sanctioned meet in Florida and it must be performed by a registered FL LMSC swimmer.

Meegan Wilson read her letter to Rocky Motter requesting information about the Dixie Zone Top 10 and Rocky's response. Rocky stated that it is the responsibility of the swimmer to get outside swims to her. She accepts copies of official meet results for verification. She had to personally obtain results from National and YMCA meets by either purchasing them herself or borrowing them from another swimmer. She also used Walt Reed's National Top Ten results but since there are no team affiliations, this was difficult. She said it was easy to miss swimmers from the Dixie Zone in these results unless the swimmer sent her their times. Since National results now have team affiliations, she compares these results from a recent update of Dixie Zone registered swimmers that she receives periodically from the National registrars Diane and Bill Black. Since this is done manually, it is easy to miss someone.

The floor was open for discussion. Points brought up were: Florida LMSC swimmers who obtain a better time at Nationals or in a meet outside of the state of Florida are entitled to that time counting toward Florida Top 5 records. Allowing only times swum in Florida to count gives more swimmers a chance at a top 5 spot. Should we allow Florida LMSC members who live outside of Florida set a Florida record even if they never swim at a Florida meet? Perhaps we should amend the rule to Florida residents only. Some Florida LMSC swimmers are snowbirds. We should change the rule to include National results. It is very difficult and very time consuming to determine all Florida LMSC swimmers unless the swimmer submits official results to the recorder. Some swimmers have submitted non-official times. A photo copy of official results are necessary. Allow swims from USS meets to count toward the Florida Top 5. USMS has different rules from USS.

Catie Cooper moved that we keep the Florida Top 5 rule as it stands. Gertrud Zint seconded the motion. The vote was 9 for and 8 against. The Florida Top 5 rule will remain.

IV. New Business

A. Our delegates to the National Convention in Houston, Texas will be: Harold Ferris, Catherine Cooper, Frank Tillotson, Charles Kohnken, Gerry Glancy, and Meegan Wilson.

B. Harold Ferris requested that all teams be represented at our Annual Meeting on October 7 at the SCM meet in Orlando. Please have your meet requests ready so that we can set our calendar. Bill Uhrich also sanctions open water meets.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Meegan Wilson
Florida LMSC Secretary