

Florida Local Masters Swim Committee - Meeting Minutes March 30, 1996

The Florida LMSC meeting was held at the North Shore Pool in St. Petersburg during the SCY St. Pete Masters Swimming Championships. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Harold Ferris.

Others present were: Jim Donnelly, Newsletter Editor; Bill Uhrich, Sanctions; Brooke Bowman, SMS; Ron Collins, JAM; Jayne Lambke, SPM; Larry Black, Swim Florida; Jerry Glancy, ORLM; Larry Peck, ORLM; Penny McCord, Acting Secretary.

I. Minutes - The minutes of the October 7, 1995 meeting were accepted as they appeared in the November 1995 LMSC newsletter.

II. Reports of Officers

A. Treasurer - Harold Ferris presented Chip Jones' report. The Treasurer's report was approved.

B. Registration - It was reported that registration is currently at 969 members, which is an increase of 169 people from last year at this time. There are between 400-500 swimmers, and one team, SunCoast Family Y, that have not re-registered. Our newest team is Area Tallahassee,

C. Records - Harold Ferris presented Katie Cooper's report since she could not attend the meeting. The 1995 SCM Top 15 records were submitted to Walt Reid ahead of deadline. This gave us time to answer questions he had regarding two potential National records and to get missing documentation for a potential World record to him. Dixie Zone data submitted. She is working on LMSC Florida Top Five. 1996 SCY meets (excluding Clearwater meet) have been processed. Katie requests that swimmers submitting times to be considered for records, send a copy of anything that states the meet date and sanction number, or other proof that it was a USMS approved meet.

D. Sanctions - Bill Uhrich questioned the need to charge a daily deposit fee for each meet, and proposed that a \$25 deposit be made for each meet regardless of the number of days the meet runs. It was moved that we accept this change and it passed unanimously.

E. Newsletter - Jim Donnelly reports that our newsletter is inspirational to newsletter editors throughout the country; the editor of South Carolina's LMSC newsletter was so impressed, she wants to be on our mailing list. Jim is aiming for the top spot this year in the National USMS Newsletter contest.

IV. New Business

A. Bill Uhrich reported that teams are adding special races at meets without announcing said races in the meet entry form. The USMS rule book, rule 202.1, states that special relays need to be on meet information; if not, the relay cannot be sanctioned. Meet directors should announce special races as "Relay's choice," which offers flexibility in determining what the race will be, otherwise, relays have to be determined for a pre-seeded meet.

B. Jerry Glancy would like for us to improve communications with Gold Coast Masters to attempt to better control the scheduling for meets and eliminate conflicting schedules. He will get a copy of their newsletter to see when they plan events.

C. Jerry Glancy submitted a list of items needed for the USAS Convention in September. This will be printed in the newsletter.

D. Larry Peck announced that Lucky Meisenheimer will host the USAS Friday night social at his home. Larry had questions on transportation from hotels to the social and back, and asked for advice from members. He also wanted to know if USMS or LMSC paid for transportation costs.

Larry also informed us that the LMSC will receive half of the money received from sold ad space in the conven-

tion program. Ads are due August 1.

V. Announcements

A. Harold Ferris distributed copies of the LMSC Bylaws.

B. Larry Peck announced that Team Orlando Masters will be hosting a Long Course Postal Swim in June. The event will be the type of "anything goes" swim, which means with fins, pull-buoys, kick-board, various strokes, etc.

C. The next Florida LMSC meeting is set for July 13, 1996, during the annual LCM meet in St. Petersburg.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Penny McCord
Acting Secretary