

Minutes of the North Texas Local Masters Swim Committee

A meeting of the North Texas LMSC was held at the Omni Dallas Hotel at Park West on Saturday, October 18, 2014. In accordance with the timeline in the committee by-laws, notice of the meeting was issued on September 25, 2014. The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. CDT.

- I. **Roll Call** – The following individuals were in attendance: Lynn Morrison, Chairperson; Dave Young, Registrar; Kim Shaw, Treasurer and Acting Secretary (on behalf of Lisa Greedy for this meeting only); Laurie Dunlap, Sanctions Chair; Cindy Myer and Cindy Thomas, co-chairs Fitness Swimming, and the following team representatives:
Ken Pipkin and Dayna Boor, PCAT; Chris Rowe, Texas Ford Aquatics Masters.
- II. **Minutes** – The Chairperson read the minutes from the previous meeting on June 26, 2014. The committee adopted the minutes as read.
- III. **Report of Officers** – Lynn Morrison, Chairperson, gave a report on the USMS convention. It was handled in an efficient manner. Although they won't be official races, 25's are listed on the event ranking list on USMS.org. The 2016 national meets: Spring SCY - indoors, Greensboro, NC; Summer LCM – outdoors, Mt. Hood (Portland, OR). The 2015 zone meets: Spring SCY – outdoors, Rice (Houston) April 3-5 (Easter weekend); Summer LCM – indoors, The Woodlands (Houston) July 10-12. Lynn reminded the group about the 2015 national meets: Spring SCY – San Antonio in April; Summer LCM – Cleveland in August. Lynn mentioned that Frisco will be hosting a SCY meet on January 24, 2015 that will include 25's. She also mentioned the income and expenses related to the zone meet in August and that there were medals left over.

Dave Young, Registrar, informed the group that the LMSC experienced 6% growth during the year. There are 39 members who have identified themselves as coaches. The LMSC has 12 teams registered so far for 2015 (PCAT is not one of them.) Another new team, TFAM, is pending.

Kim Shaw, Treasurer reported the cash balances held by the LMSC, approximately \$21,000 in the CD and just over \$17,000 in the checking account. She also mentioned that the USMS registration fee was going to increase in 2015 and asked the group to consider what to do with the LMSC fee and the transfer fee. (See new business.)

IV. **Reports of the Committees – N/A**

V. **Unfinished Business – N/A**

VI. **New Business**

- a. **Fees** – The LMSC fee for individual registrations is \$15 per year. North Texas doesn't have one-event registration. There was a motion, second, and approval to leave the fee at \$15. Total fee will be \$52.00 for FY 2015.

- b. Deb Treece from XTreme attended the meeting. She informed the group that they will provide a 10% discount for masters swimmers. They will also sponsor the LMSC website.
- c. The group discussed the issue of the LMSC providing “scholarships” to underprivileged swimmers. Chris Rowe mentioned a USA program called Make a Splash.
- d. The group agreed to purchase food (pizza and/or appetizers) at St. Pete’s after the DAM swim meet on November 15, 2014.
- e. Chris Rowe will be hosting a SCY meet on January 24, 2015. He would also like to host a LCM meet in July (maybe 24-26) and is interested in open water events too. Kim and Laurie informed him about the first meet free program.
- f. Fitness Challenge – Cindy and Cindy presented the 2015 North TX LMSC Go the Distance Challenge. The idea is for the LMSC to motivate swimmers with awards (cash and/or prizes) and non-meet competition. Competitors can be individuals, clubs, and even LMSCs. The group reviewed the proposed budgets for the cost of the awards. There was a motion, second, and approval to budget \$1,475.
- g. Cindy Myer has an underwater video system that she is willing to lend to North Texas swimmers for use at clinics.
- h. Search for Chairperson – Lynn Morrison announced that she will not seek re-election for another term as the chairperson when her term ends in June 2015. The group needs to get the word out that a successor is needed.

VII. Resolutions and Order

- a. Resolved to leave USMS annual individual registration fee at \$15.
- b. Resolved to budget \$1,475 for Go the Distance awards.

VIII. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m. CDT. The next meeting will be after one of the winter swim meets (January 24 or February 28, 2015).