

**Gulf LMSC Meeting**  
**Wednesday, October 17, 2018**  
**Duncan Family YMCA**

**Attendance:**

Bruce Rollins (Chair), Elaine Rollins, Kevin Lunsford (Secretary), Bruce Williams (Registrar), Tom Boak, Karlene Denby (Newsletter), Stacy Eicks (Top Ten Recorder) Kris Wingenroth (Vice-President, Sanctions), Mark Hahn (Treasurer),

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. at the Duncan YMCA. MSA for the minutes from the Gulf LMSC Meeting on August 22, 2018.

**Officer Reports**

- Chairman (Bruce Rollins):

Bruce expressed a desire to attract coaches to the meetings and said that there needs to be a replacement for the Summer Sizzler meet. He suggested possibly having a pentathlon meet with four fifties and then a 100 I.M.

- Vice-President Sanctions (Kris Wingenroth): No report
- Treasurer (Mark Hahn):

As of September 30, 2018, the ending cash balance was \$25,598.68. This along with three certificates of deposits resulted in a total of \$55,598.68.

Mark reported that convention expenses are still being submitted. Bruce Williams volunteered to do an annual audit of the Gulf LMSC financials. Mark is working on the annual budget to be presented at next month's annual meeting. The Gulf LMSC income is decreasing because USMS is taking more of the registration fee.

- Secretary (Kevin Lunsford): No report
- Registrar (Bruce Williams):

As of October 14, 2018, there are 1,257 registered swimmers in the Gulf LMSC. There are currently twelve teams who have registered. Updated club registration forms, individual registration forms and transfer forms will be available on the website.

2018 Membership Review

Bruce Williams provided a detailed membership analysis for the years 2016 to 2017 and 2017 to 2018. The first analysis compared age groups, and the conclusion was that the Gulf is declining slightly in the age group from 35-39 and increasing in the age group for 25 and under. The second analysis showed that the Gulf lost about 500 swimmers between for both 2017 and 2018 due to attrition. The overall net change in swimmers was about a loss of 100 swimmers. The Gulf must recruit about a third of its swimmers each year for the numbers to remain the same.

This appears to highlight a problem with attrition of current swimmers with regard to membership.

There was a discussion of possibly reaching out to those swimmers who do not re-up and ask why the decision was reached.

- Top Ten Recorder (Stacy Eicks) : No report
- Officials (Herb Schwab not present): No report
- Website Newsletter (Nicole Rembach not present, Karlene Denby):

Karlene reported that getting content and interest in being highlighted in the newsletter was difficult based on previous experience.

- Coaches/Fitness (Robin Tompkins not present):

Starting in January there are three national fitness events. The Gulf LMSC may possibly have three local events as well.

### **Old Business**

The annual meeting will be November 7, 2018 at the Duncan Family YMCA starting at 7:00 p.m.

Nominating committee for the slate of new officers.

MSA for proposed slate of officers for the Gulf LMSC for a two year term from 2019-2020

Chair: Kris Wingeroth  
Vice Chair: Kevin Lunsford  
Secretary: Karlene Denby  
Treasurer: Mark Hahn  
Registrar: Bruce Williams

MSA for the Gulf LMSC to make a \$1,000 donation to the Swimming Saves Lives Foundation.

## **New Business**

MSA for the Gulf LMSC to pay the national USMS registration fee of \$45 for a coach or a primary contact for each registered Gulf USMS club for those clubs who do not have a coach or primary contact registered with USMS for 2019.

Swim Across America:

Karlene reported that there will be an organizational meeting for Swim Across America sometime next month at MD Anderson. They need volunteers to assist with hosting the event and swimmers to participate. The event will be May 4, 2019 at Lake Houston.

## **Calendar**

Open Water Events

Open Water Swim Carnival at Twin Lakes hosted by Rice. This requires a one day USA swimming registration to participate

Gulf Masters Swim Meet Dates:

Woodlands November Classic SCM Meet

Conroe ISD, TX

November 10-11, 2018

Southern SCM Meet

Baton Rouge, LA

December, ??, 2018

Jesse Coon Meet

January 19/20, 2019

WMST Relay Meet

Conroe ISD

January 26, 2019

Sweet Heart Meet

February 16, 2019

March Madness

Rice

March 10, 2019

Short Course Zones

Woodlands

March 29, 30, 31, 2019

Long Course Zones

TAMU

July 19, 20, 21, 2019

Next Meeting – Wednesday, November 7, 2018 at Duncan Family YMCA  
The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.