

Gulf LMSC Meeting
Wednesday, August 24, 2016

Attendance:

Bruce Rollins (Chair), Kris Wingenroth (Sanctions, Vice-Chair), Kevin Lunsford (Secretary), Mark Hahn (Treasurer), Elaine Rollins, Jackie Busa, Herb Schwab (Officials), Tom Boak, Carolyn Boak, Stacey Eikes, Steve White, Bonnie Finnigan, Nicole Rembach

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. at Dad's Club. MSA for the minutes from Gulf LMSC on May 4, 2016.

Officer Reports

- Chairman (Bruce Rollins):

Review of the Zone Long Course meet held at the Texas A&M Natatorium. Nicole Rembach did a great job with publicizing and running the meet. There were 246 swimmers from 40 different teams and 13 different LMSCs. Social media and getting the information out early was key to the meet's success. The cost for the Natatorium was about \$10,500 along with \$2,000 for the awards.

Karlene Denby, the editor of the Gulf Newsletter the Chlorine Chronicles, has been nominated for a National Award.

Hall of Fame Award Winners from the Gulf are Tom Boak and Joann Leilich.

MSA for \$125 to cover seats for Joann Leilich and her guests to attend the award dinner celebration at the convention.

Tom and Carolyn Boak were awarded the 2016 Jesse Coon Spirit Award at the Long Course Zone meet.

Bruce discussed the push from USMS for all LMSC to have Standards including an Annual Budget and Conflict of Interest Policies. Bruce would like to get a "Boiler Plate" Conflict of Interest statement from USMS. LMSC Board members, committee members and any one with voting rights would be required to sign the Conflict of Interest policy.

Swim University Graduates – All of T-shirts have been delivered.

Coaches with Gulf LMSC swim teams should be registered with USMS so they can be more engaged in communications and activities offered by the Gulf. More often than not the Coach is only registered with USA Swimming, and the swimmers have to inform the

coaches about Gulf USMS activities. There was a discussion about offering additional incentives to join USMS such as swim caps or towels.

There was a discussion about the Short Course Yards 2017 Zone meet that was being bid on by both the South Texas LMSC (to be held at the University of Texas) and the Gulf LMSC (to be held at The Woodlands). It was decided to contact South Texas LMSC and Ed Coates before the Convention to work out possible conflicts.

- Sanctions (Kris Wingenroth):

The Woodlands Fall Classic was sanctioned. There was Dual Sanction for one of the Senior Circuit meets. Carolyn Boak talked about the differences in USMS and USA swimming warm-up protocols. Since Dirk Marshall is the Masters Coach at UofH, there was a discussion about having UofH possibly host a meet.

- Treasurer (Mark Hahn):

Mark gave a report of his health issues. Mark and Bruce presented a preliminary Budget Proposal.

MSA for \$9 swimmer registration fee for Gulf LMSC combined with \$41 for National USMS for 2017. For the following year, 2018, the swimmer registration fee for the Gulf LMSC will be \$7 combined with \$43 for National USMS. This results in a total registration fee for Gulf Swimmers of \$50.

The current ending balance as of July 31, 2016 is \$23,234.43 along with \$30,000.00 in CDs for a total of \$53,234.43.

- Secretary (Kevin Lunsford):

Nothing to report.

- Registrar (Scott Campbell and Bruce Williams both not present):
- Top Ten Recorder (Emmett Hines not present):
- Officials (Herb Schwab):

Nothing to report.

- Website (Sheila Baskett not present):

There was a discussion about the Gulf LMSC's Website and the incorrect information regarding team addresses and officers on the website. Information on the website is not being updated in a timely manner. Bruce was contacted by National USMS about these problems.

MSA to approve the chairman's appointment of a new Webmaster before the Annual Meeting.

MSA for to recognize Sheila Baskettt for her contributions to the Gulf LMSC.

- Newsletter (Karlene Denby not Present):
- Coaches/Fitness (Ross Davis/Bruce Rollins):

Bruce talked about the 400 Pull for time as a Gulf LMSC activity which runs through September.

Old Business

MSA for extending the Scholarship Policy for Coaching and Adult Learn to Swim Trainings to December 2016 for Gulf Registered Swimmers.

New Business

Nominating committees for biannual elections will be chaired by Kris Wingenroth with assistance from Mark Hahn.

Bruce passed out proposed changes to the By-Laws and policies as suggested by Kris Wingenroth. Bruce also passed out proposed changes for the By-Laws and policies including a conflict of interest statement, disclosure and acknowledgement of donations statement, and a restriction of political and lobbying activities statement.

In order to increase attendance at the Gulf LMSC Annual Meeting and also engage with the Gulf team coaches, having the Gulf LMSC Annual meeting after the first day of the WMST Fall Classic Meet on Saturday, November 12, 2016 was discussed.

Calendar

Swim Meet Dates:

November 12-13, 2016 SCM Fall Classic WMST CSID Conroe, TX

Next Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 19, 2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.