

Committee Name:	Florida LMSC Board Call	Meeting #:	#1 of 2018
LMSC President:	Bob Jennings	Vice Chair:	Jillian Wilkins
Minutes recorded by:	Cheryl Kupan	Date/time of meeting:	January 28, 2018 4:01pm EST

Motions Passed:

- 1) Approved a motion by Bob Jennings to accept that last meeting's minutes with the one additional edit.
- 2) Approved a motion by Cheryl Kupan to accept the Treasurer's report.

Motion(s) Not Passed:

- 1) None.

Number of Board & Committee members present: 8

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Scott Bay, Joan Campbell, Connie Greb, Bob Jennings, Cheryl Kupan, Anna Lea Matysek, Jillian Wilkins and Meegan Wilson

Number of other FL LMSC members present: 0

MINUTES:

1) **CALL TO ORDER:** The call was called to order at 4:01pm EST.

2) **APPROVAL OF LAST MEETING'S MINUTES:** (Bob)

Motion by Bob Jennings to approve the minutes, 2nd by Joan Campbell. Discussion:

Meegan: I would change at the top that is was a "meeting" not a "call."

Bob: Cheryl, can make that quick change. *Cheryl:* Yes I can.

Motion by Bob Jennings to approve with the edit to be made, 2nd by Joan Campbell. All in favor, none opposed – motion passes

3) **FL LMSC AWARDS CELEBRATION** (Erin Condon, Cheryl Kupan)

A quick rundown of the LMSC Awards:

- We received nominations in all categories, and all awards will be awarded this year.
- All awards have been ordered. Invoice will go to Nancy as soon as the order has been filled.
- All winners and their nominators have been notified and invited to the awards luncheon. Nominators have all been invited to give the award to their nominee at the luncheon.
- Luncheon is set for the conclusion of the Saturday session at the Valentine meet in Clearwater.
- Catering arrangements have all been made.

Cheryl: Joan, confirming it will be in the same room, the Bright House room?

Joan: Yes, the Bright House room.

4) **2018 CONVENTION HOSPITALITY**

Bob: I spoke with Jessica at USMS and it too early for her start planning that far ahead. I explained that given that we're hosting Pan AMs this year, that we were thinking of a dessert social. She didn't seem to like that idea and thinks that our costs will be less this year since we don't have that far to travel. I will connect with her again to discuss.

Meegan: Its actually going to cost more as we will have more people to help out with the Hospitality room.

Bob: As far as coverage: Nancy Kryka who agreed to cover the Morning time frame can no longer. Cheryl, you had offered to cover the evenings, is that still true?

Cheryl: Bob, what time am I expected to be in the room? Now that I'm on the Championships Committee, I'm not sure what to expect at Convention. I'm happy to help when I can. Is there some way we can have a sign up for times?

Jillian: I can help with the food.

Scott: The bags for the morning swimmers can be done the night before. Just need a protein, some carbs & fruit.

2018 CONVENTION HOSPITALITY (continued)

Joan: Bob, what about the local folks in Jacksonville? Did you get my email with a new contact as ___ is not involved.

Bob: No response yet, but if you send me the lady's contact info again, I'll contact her. My preference is to have volunteers that are not delegates.

5) CHAIR REPORTS

A. **AWARDS REPORT** (*Erin Condon*) – see above in #3, FL LMSC Awards Celebration

B. **FITNESS REPORT** (*Connie Greb*)

Adult Learn to Swim (ALTS hereafter) Program

- 1) Classes for 2018 are setup and class size is increasing to 20. This will allow for a 20% increase over 2017. A refresher class to Train the Trainer has been scheduled.
- 2) Additional person received ALTS certification for 2018. The Villages ALTS program now has certificated ALTS instructors.
- 3) A small grant was awarded to the ALTS program

Connie: The Villages added an additional certified teacher which allowed us to increase the class size.

USMS Smarty Pants Program

- 1) Reached out the National Office of ALTS, Holly Newman, to assist in bridging the gap for the ALTS Program and the Fitness Swimming program, specifically the new Smarty Pants Program.
- 2) Assisted in compiling the email to all ALTS programs in Florida to generate enthusiasms for the Smarty Pants Program. – No responses
- 3) Discussed the possibility of future flexibility in reaching these programs in the future. Hopefully, next year at the time of renewal, there will be an opportunity to check an ALTS box in order to extract information for future communication.
- 4) Another goal is to reach out to coaches in our LMSC to generate interest
- 5) Discussing with the Villages the opportunity to host the Smarty Pants Program 2 times this year.

Connie: This program is geared toward Fitness swimmers that make up a large % of USMS members. The program costs \$10/person and all the proceeds go to the ALTS program.

Anna Lea: Connie, did you know that Bill Ewell who led the Sarasota ALTS program moved to Greenville, SC. I believe the Sarasota Y took over the program.

C. **NEWSLETTER REPORT** (*Sheila Carpenter-van Dijk*)

The newsletter will be going out very soon. If you have any pressing articles and can get them to me right after the meeting, I'll still take them. The next newsletter will be in May, so the deadline for that one will be tax day, April 15.

D. **REGISTRAR'S REPORT** (*Meredith Moore*)

Registrations for 2018 (Nov. 1, 2017 - Jan. 23, 2018) currently stand at 1574 which is 11% below our registrations for the same period last year of 1763.

We have 53 Clubs registered so far for 2018, as opposed to 69 Clubs in 2017, which most probably accounts for our decrease in memberships at this point in time.

E. SANCTIONS REPORT (*Anna Lea Matysek*)

I suspect that it is going to be difficult for me to collect recognition fees from meet hosts in a timely manner. Recognized meets are still a big benefit to the members of the Florida LMSC and they provide additional opportunities for members to compete throughout the year.

In summary, I would like to request that the FL-LMSC board reconsider its policy of requiring meet hosts to pay \$50 for a USMS recognition. In 2017 the LMSC had a total of eight recognized meets (the Tampa meet was canceled so the LMSC was not charged for it). The YMCA Masters Nationals is moving back to Ft. Lauderdale so that one will not be held in the LMSC in 2018. [Full report is attached]

Anna Lea: To get the \$50 recognition fee for these meets, I have to go through the City or with Tampa, the University. The process is long: provide the City with the IRS W-9 for the LMSC, they input us as a Vendor, they create a purchase order, I submit an invoice with the purchase order for payment. For ~7-8 recognized meets a year, can the LSMC absorb the \$400? I've already given recognition for the Goodlife Games, but will need to go through a long process to get the \$50 fee.

Meegan: Why don't we wait to hear from the Sports Foundation to see if they'll cover the costs. Next year we can discuss whether or not the LMSC will cover these events.

Scott Bay: The purpose of sanctioning these meets – what's the value of being USMS member?
 -for recognized meets, there is no USMS insurance coverage for the meet
 -for sanctioned meets, there is a USMS \$20 million liability insurance coverage
 -hard to rent pools without proof of insurance

F. SENIOR GAMES REPORT (*Joan Campbell*)

Anna Lea and Jim Matysek joined me this past quarter in a discussion on the fees for Senior Games with Michael Washington, Director of Events for the State organization and Amanda Capone, Event Manager for Florida Sports.

In a prior meeting, Florida Sports has offered to enter into an agreement with our LMSC to either share or pay for the newly assessed fee. Since the State of Florida has 22 local senior games, unlike other states, this would be a large amount of money should all the games wish to be recognized. [Full report is attached]

Joan: We made a proposal to the Florida Games Association to bill us for all recognized games at \$50/meet.

Anna Lea: The proposal was to the Florida Sports Foundation to charge \$50/meet for every recognized meet, but capped it at \$400/year.

Joan: We have not heard back from the Florida Sports Foundation yet.

G. TREASURER'S REPORT (*Nancy Kryka*)

Summary is in my report that is attached:

- Filed 2017 990N epostcard to IRS
- Filed 2017 1099 MISC to IRS
- Filed 2017 Sunbiz fee to state of Florida
- Submitted 2017 YE Financial Statement to USMS
- 2018 YTD \$53K in our bank account

Bob: Does anyone have any questions on the finance report? None?

Cheryl: I make a motion to approve the Treasurer's report. 2nd by Jillian. All in favor, none opposed. Motion passes.

6) OLD BUSINESS

A. **PAN AM'S UPDATE** (*Jillian Wilkins & Scott Bay*)

Jillian: The renovations at the Y have started (new lights, new pumps, new heater, new *in pool* surfaces). In March/April, the teaching pool will be shut down and completely renovated, new bathrooms, new roof. All the locker rooms will be completely renovated, new \$100,000 bleachers installed.

Registration will close on June 30, 2018. The swimmer registration fee will increase to \$100 for 4/1/18 to 6/30/18.

Distance events: please tell you teammates to register for these events soon.

Scott: The 800 free has 110 registered = 5 hour day.

Jillian: We'll take ~100 more and close the event.

Overall, there are 500 entered, 100 for open water, 400 pool

--We have not announced it as the contract is yet to be signed, but the Open Water race will be at Daytona Beach.

Scott: We have fixed the entry glitch, you can only swim the 1.5k OR the 5.0k. There were two entries we corrected as they entered both.

Jillian: I spoke with USMS and they told me that at the 2013 Pan AMs that the LMSC recruited the volunteers. Is that true – does anyone remember?

Anna Lea: I believe that Rick Walker hired someone in Sarasota to recruit volunteers from the Sarasota community. I will ask him tonight when I see him.

Jillian: Thank you. I'm going to set up an online sign up for volunteers.

Anna Lea: Sign up genius is great to use.

Bob: I enlisted Erin Matthews from the Coaches Committee who will organize coaches for the On Deck Coaching for the meet.

Jillian: That would be great.

7) NEW BUSINESS

A. Search for new LMSC President (Bob): I think anyone on this Board would do a great job as President. 5 years is enough, I think you can use some fresh blood. It won't be voted on until October, so start thinking about it.

B. Jillian, Nancy & I will be filling out the USMS LMSC survey.

Motion by Bob to adjourn, 2nd by ALL, All in favor, none opposed.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:48pm EST.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- ✓ Finance report
- ✓ Full Senior Games report