

2013 Alaska Masters LMSC Annual Meeting Minutes	Session #: 1	Report #: 1
Committee Chair: Joanne Wainwright	Vice Chair: Jamie Evans	
Minutes recorded by: Jamie Evans	Date/time of meeting: Feb 10, 2013	

Action Items:

1. 2012 Annual Meeting Minutes approved. Motion: Ray Hamilton. Shannon Titzel: 2nd.
2. 2013 Officers elected. Joanne Wainwright (Chair), Jamie Evan (Vice-Chair/Secretary), Judy Abrahams (Treasurer). Motion: Ruth Carter. 2nd: Margaret Van Flein.
3. 2013 Standing Committee Chairs elected. Kevin Knox (Open Water Chair), Tom Jacobsen (Officials Chair), Ruth Carter (Awards/Recognition Chair), Jim Lima (Historian).
4. 2013 Amended By-Laws and New Policies document approved. Motion: Shannon Titzel. Ruth Carter 2nd.
5. 2013 Memorial Scholarship awarded to Eva Kowalski from Petersburg, AK.
6. Alaska Masters is hosting the 2013 Check-Off Challenge with the theme of Iditaswim.

Number of committee members present: 5	Absent: 5	Number of other delegates present: 0
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Joanne Wainwright (Chair), Jamie Evans (Vice Chair), Paula Smith, Ken Winterberger, Stan Steck.		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 1:25 p.m. Alaska Time

1. Call to order and attendance.
2. Chair's Report—Joanne Wainwright discussed the Check-Off Challenge with approximately 100 entries as of February 9, 2013.
3. Webmaster Report - Ken Winterberger reports the Alaska Masters website is going to be updated. If anyone in the group has ideas, please contact him. His contact information is on the website. Ken also reports there is room on the website for individual work-out groups to post information.
4. Fitness Committee Report: Ken Winterberger reports the Fitness Committee currently has "Go the Distance", "Check-off Challenge". The group is also planning to do an event every couple of months and a monthly fitness blast.
5. Registrar's Report: Kristi Neptune reports, as of 2/4/2013, AKMS has 304 members in 16 workout groups: 190 women and 114 men. This is 35 more swimmers than we had last year at this time. We had 298 of those people register online. I am still having trouble making sure I have the correct workout group name and that the group is active. With Joanne's guidance, I updated the paper forms this year to allow members to circle their workout group on the form. I have tried to make sure that list matches the drop-down list on the registration website to avoid confusion and to close out names of workout groups that no longer exist. In 2012 we had 380 members. About 104 of those joined in March or later, so we're on track to beat that this year. The total was larger in 2012 than in 2011, but only by 4 swimmers. We've had over 315 members every year since 2009, but haven't broken 400 yet. Maybe this year?
6. Sanctions Report: Melinda Grieg-Walker reports we have sanctioned pool and open water events in southwest and south central Alaska, including dual sanction events with USA swimming. A USMS sanctioned event is one that meets USMS safety requirements and administrative guidelines, insures USMS athletes and volunteers, and provides advertising on the USMS website. To swimmers, sanctioning means an event that will be well run, legal and safe. Sanction rules and procedures are available on the USMS website. At the top of the Home page, click on Volunteers, then select Guide to Operations. Scroll down and you will find sanction information and on-line application tutorials and process.
7. Treasurer's Report: Stan Steck reports AK Masters started the year with \$13,000 and ended the year with \$12,600. The group spent \$6500 and earned \$6100.
8. Coaches Chair: Stan Steck reports he is unsure the number of Masters certified coaches in Alaska. If we can get a group of approximately 20 people, we would be able to bring up a coaching clinic which would cost

approximately \$200 per person. Please email Joanne if you are interested. Paula also reports the coaching clinic schedule is also online if people are interest and able to travel.

9. Scholarship Report: This year's scholarship was awarded to Eva Kowalski from Petersburg. She was awarded \$500. The scholarship report is online.

10. Unfinished Business

- a. Check-Off Challenge - AKMS won the bid for the 2013 event and has started off well with Alaska Masters hosting this year's challenge. There have been approximately 100 registered swimmers in this event as of February 9, and we are short on a few t-shirt sizes. Our t-shirt vendor is in Indonesia with his family and will be back in March. At that time, he will fill our order for more shirts.
- b. 2013 Northwest Zone Open Water Championships: Alaska is unable to host because a venue was unable to be secured. Tim Waud, the Zone Chair, was contacted. The event will go the another LMSC or club in our zone.
- c. Bylaws and Policies: Shannon Titzel moved to approve the amended LMSC Bylaws and accept the new Policies document. Seconded by Ruth Carter. Passed.
- d. Elections: Chair, Vice-Chair/Secretary, and Treasurer are up for election this year. Both Joanne and Jamie are seeking re-election for their positions. Stan Steck is stepping down from Treasurer. Judy Abrahams was nominated as Treasurer.. A motion was made by Ruth Carter to approve Joanne as Chair, Jamie as Vice Chair/Secretary and Judy as Treasurer. Seconded by Margaret Van Flein. Passed. Matt Dixon is also stepping down as our Open Water Chair. Kevin Knox from Sitka volunteered to take over the Open Water Chair. Dana Hyams is stepping down as the Officials Committee Chair. Tom Jacobsen offered to take her place. The board was also looking for someone to take over awards and recognition. Ruth Carter volunteered to take this position. Finally, the Board would like to have a Historian to document the history of our organization. Jim Lima volunteered to be the group's Historian.

11. New Business

- a. Bartlett is willing to set up the pool for Long Course Meters Meet in May or this summer if the pool is open. The meet could be a dual-sanctioned meet with USA Swimming. More information to come.
- b. Sweatshirts/warm-ups: Shannon Titzel will get the order information for warm-ups to Ken to put on the website. Now that the account has been set up, anyone can go and order from J.D. Pence when they choose. Kim Olmsted volunteered to work with the Café Press website on an Alaskan Masters sweatshirt.
- c. There was discussion of the change in the SCY meet days from Friday/Saturday to Saturday/Sunday in 2013. A survey monkey will be set up and put on our website to collect data for next year. The survey will include gathering information about the SCM, SCY meets and a tentative LCM meet. We will also be gathering information on housing needs from members traveling to Anchorage for meets to find out if anyone would be interested in being housed with other member and also to find out which members in Anchorage would be willing to house swimmers.
- d. SCM Meet: Will most likely be in December again this year. The September date was not as well attended.

Meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m. Motion: Ruth Carter. 2nd: Shannon Titzel