January 24, 2023, Fitness Education Committee Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 8:10 pm (EST)

Committee members present:

Ann Marshfield, Chair; Christopher Rieder, Vice Chair; Anita Cole, Jim Miller, Andy Seibt, Lisa Watson

Ex-Officio: Onshalee Promchitmart, VP of Community Services: Chris Campbell

Members absent: Emily Cook, Mary Jurey, Ken Winterberger

Introduction

Retool the work of the committee to focus on education as it pertains to the benefits of swimming. Recapped 2021 & 2022 Fitness Challenge participation

2021/2022 Fitness Series stats

WFC

- 2022: 243 members, 587 bundle
- 2021: 537 including bundle
- 2023 (current): 61 WFC, 131 bundle, 43 USMS+ bundles

SFC

- 2022: 115 members, 13 USMS+ SFC
- 2021: 105 members

FFC

- 2022: 248 members, 22 USMS+ FFC
- 2021: 217 members

Action Items

- 1. Committee to propose incentives for 2023 Summer Fitness Challenge to national office for approval and implementation. (Ann & Anita)
- 2. Committee to complete bios for Fitness Award Winners. (Chris C., Mary, Lisa)
- 3. Improve communication for nominations of annual Fitness Award. (All members)
- 4. Committee to submit short relevant fitness articles for messaging via various USMS media channels. (Jim & Christopher)
- 5. Propose USMS offer GTD 365.25-miles swim cap award. (Ann)
- 6. Committee to collaborate with Coaches Committee by assigning a FC member to attend CC meetings to educate coaches on the value of promoting participation in USMS fitness programs.

Next meeting: Tuesday, February 28, 8 pm EST

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.