

Memorandum



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To: New England LMSC Board of Directors

From: Al Prescott, NE-LMSC Past Chair, Bill Meier, Current Chair, and Carol Yunker, Current Secretary

Date: April 23, 2012

Re: Annual Meeting 11 12 2011 - Minutes

Meeting called to order by Al Prescott at 11:15AM.

Rob Butcher from National USMS talked about USMS in relation to LMSC and four initiatives (Volunteers, Products & Services, Marketing, and Partnerships) USMS is working on. He also talked about the National Convention being the swimmer's voice in the process. Every other year the Convention either works on Rules or Legislation. Rob was asked about Open Water swimming and stated that there were guidelines for safety. Rob was asked about local master swim club membership being through the club registered with or the swimmer's location. The registered club dictates what LMSC a swimmer is a member of.

Roll call

Board members present:

Laszlo Eger, Bill Meier, Tracy Grilli, Scotty, Al Prescott, Abby Scott, Rich Axtel, Jessica Stokes, Jason Eaddy, Paul Griffin, Guy Davis, Bill Ewan, Michael Sever on phone.

Club Representatives Present:

Bill Meier, Frank Wuerst, Jaren Hawxwell, Bill Ewan

Other Voting members Present:

Kerin Stokes, Sheryl Scott, Nic Ohman, Allan Kopel, Douglas Sayles, Kevin Kosiorek, Guy Davis, Paul Dow, Jessica Stokes, Carol Yunker, Elizabeth Scott, TJ Foley, John Paul Argenti, David Bright, Elaine Howley, Bill Paine, Tara Hawxwell.

Adoption of 2010 Minutes

Adopted Unanimously

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Adoption of Treasurers Report

In lieu of a Treasurer's report (Ulrike Kjellberg, Treasurer, was unable to attend), Al gave the financial picture stating that currently, with the \$5.00 dues per member, the NE-LMSC is maintaining a cash reserve of 1.7 times expenses. At the end of 2012, the cash reserve should be at 2.0 times expenses. Al also presented the budget. With approximately 2300 members, the revenue will be \$11,500 for 2012. The expenses are estimated at \$10,025 leaving \$475 towards the cash reserve. The individual budget expenses are: \$1500 for registration, \$300 office and supplies, \$750 for conference calls, \$7000 for National Convention delegates plus an at-large delegate from NE-LMSC, and \$575 for Hall of Fame expenses. The budget was approved after a discussion of adding \$1000 for an at-large delegate.

A question was asked about who could vote. During the year, Board members vote on issues, but at the Annual meeting, any member of NE-LMSC has a vote.

Reports, as necessary, from Officers and Committees

Chair—Al reports he was finishing his second term.

Vice Chair—Paul offered thanks for all who stepped up to fulfill his duties during his illness. Al reported that the first induction into the Hall of Fame was held at Middlebury College.

Secretary—not present

Top Ten—Laszlo reported that the guidelines from USMS on Top Ten submissions (meet results) were 2 weeks after the event. New England is doing very well. He also reported that USMS is enforcing rules, so pool measurement, for example, was required for events eligible for Top Ten Times. Jason Eaddy reported that all swim clubs in NE-LMSC were much improved in reporting and mentioned that unregistered swimmers were sometimes listed. In sanctioned meets, there should be no unregistered swimmers—recognized meets can have unregistered swimmers.

Registrar—Tracy reported that there were 2356 NE-LMSC members in 2011.

Sanctioning — Not present

Officials — Not present

At Large — Coaching-Rich Axtel talked about coaches conference and the Streamlines publication for Coaches. There are three Streamlines publications from USMS, one for swimmers, one for coaches, and one for volunteers (LMSC board members, for example). All publications are available on the USMS website.

Unfinished Business

Motion to approve Guy Davis as one time chair of Nominating Committee. – Approved

Motion to approve unbudgeted expense of a single At-Large Delegate to USMS 2011. - Approved

New Business

Al Prescott motioned to Amend Article 4, section A of the By-Laws to include a Hall of Fame Chair, and to modify Article 4 Section E to include the duties of this position as follows:
The Hall of Fame Chair is responsible for overseeing the New England LMSC Hall of Fame including induction criteria, inductee selection and induction ceremonies.

Al Prescott motioned to mend Article 4 of the By-Laws as necessary to include the position of Immediate Past Chair. The following amended version was approved with only one vote against:

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The Immediate Past Chair shall be filled by the last person to hold the chair position, for one 2 year term only, for the purpose of continuity on the LMSC Board of Directors. In the event that the person fitting this description is already elected to another office, the this position will be vacant until that person no longer holds an elected office, or a new Chair is elected

AI motioned that Article 12 be amended to include a NE-LMSC Operations Manual be adopted and ratified by the Board.

He withdrew the motion so that this document can be prepared and presented to the Annual Meeting in 2012 for a vote. Side comment: The USMS rules and NE-LMSC By Laws would trump anything in this manual.

Tracy Grilli presented a motion that a Communications Chairperson be created to disseminate information from USMS and NE-LMSC to the individual members. Motion passed with two opposing the motion. Full text of motion is:

NE-LMSC creates a Communications Chair who shall be responsible for the dissemination of information from USMS and the LMSC to all individual members of the NE-LMSC.

Elections

The slate as amended had no positions contested and was approved. The new officers for the next two years are attached.

Resolutions and Orders

Bill Meier, newly elected chair, proposed that NE-LMSC deploy the Swimming Saves Lives program where masters swimmers teach children and adults to swim. So resolved by vote.

Jessica Stokes will be the new Communications Chairperson.

Closing Remarks:

Guy Davis thanked outgoing and incoming Board members and presented AI with the USMS swim bag Rob had given him, as a means of thanking him for his service. AI in turn presented the bag to Jessica Stokes as the newly elected Communications Chairperson is appreciation for her volunteering to serve in her new position.

The motion to adjourn the NE-LMSC Annual Meeting was made seconded and unanimously approved at 1:13 PM.

Position	Election Results
Chairperson	Bill Meier
Vice Chairperson	Mike Sever
Secretary	Carol Yunker
Top Ten, Yards	Laszlo Eger
Top Ten, Meters	Jason Eaddy
At Large	Rich Axtell
Officials Chair	Bill Ewan
Registrar	Tracy Grilli
Treasurer	Al Prescott
Sanctions and Recognition Chair	Yvonne Gutierrez
At Large	Jacki Hirsty
Hall of Fame Chair	Ulrike Kjellberg
Communications Chair	Jessica Stokes

<u>NE-LMSC Budget 2012</u>	<u>Subtotals</u>	<u>Totals</u>	<u>% of Estimated Income</u>	<u>Cost per member</u>
Estimated Membership		2,300.00		
LMSC Fee		5.00		
Estimated Income		11,500.00		
Expenses				
Registration	1,500.00		13%	0.652173913
Other Office Supplies	200.00		2%	0.086956522
Communications (email and cof call)	750.00		7%	0.326086957
USMS Convention (6 reg. 1 AL)	7,000.00		61%	3.043478261
HOF	575.00		5%	0.25
Total Expense		10,025.00	87%	4.358695652
Estimated surplus (deficite)		1,475.00	13%	0.641304348