

2025 U.S. Masters Swimming Annual Meeting — Hybrid

Committee Name: Breadbasket Zone		Session #: 1
Committee Chair:	Meeting Chaired by Carrie Stolar	Vice Chair:
Minutes recorded by:	Carrie Stolar	Date/time of meeting: Thursday, August 21

Actions Requiring Approval by the House of Delegates:

- 1.

Motions Passed:

1. Elected: Sue Nutty as the Breadbasket Zone Chair.

Number of committee members present: 10	Number of Guests: 1
Zone members present: Carrie Stolar (MINN), Elizabeth Nymeyer (MINN), Crystie McGrail (CO), Kathleen Steffe (CO), Sue Nutty (NE), Erin Sullivan (NE), Maryanne Barkley (OZ), Katherine Olson (SD), Wayne Huebener (IOWA), Nick Gearhart (IOWA)	
Guests present: Ed Coates	

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM CST.

1. Carrie welcomed the zone members. Everyone on the call introduced themselves to the group.
2. The Zone remembered Doug Hayden, long-time member and volunteer, from MOVY, who passed away on August 20.
3. The zone discussed unique events happening over the past year in their zone.
 - a. Nebraska:
 - i. New Year's Day Swim (100 x 100/75/50): Food collected for a food shelf and toys (equipment) can be used during the swim for a fee.
 - ii. Summer outdoor adult meet similar to GUS: Sprint meet that is a pool fundraiser. Pancakes available following the meet
 - b. Colorado:
 - i. GUS exploded this year (year 2).
 - ii. Generous donations/sponsorships were collected to help send 2 young members to Nationals.
 - c. Ozark:
 - i. Hosted a successful November short course meters meet combined with a food drive.
 - ii. GUS was very well received.
 - iii. Will hold a joint meet with MOVY in Columbia (MO) in the spring.
 - iv. In the summer a "no-brainer" swim challenge and social was held in Carbondale.
4. Erin provided a recap of last year's zone meeting.
5. Carrie discussed the LMSC standards emails that everyone received. The LMSCs will work with the new zone chair and the LMSC Development Committee to address.
6. The zone meet cycle was discussed. Colorado has a new pool, so the rotation was modified to include it in the rotation.

- a. 2026: Colorado; 2027: South Dakota; 2028: Minnesota; 2029: Missouri Valley; 2030: Ozark
 - b. Upcoming meets: Nebraska: Sept 14 and Dec. 7, Minnesota: SCM on Dec. 13
- 7. Zone chair elections: The group held a discussion of the responsibilities and time commitment for the zone chair, and Crystie directed the group to the role description found on the USMS website. **MSA to elect Sue Nutty as the Breadbasket Zone Chair.** Discussion: none. **Motion passed unanimously.**
 - 8. Sanctioning process: The group discussed issues with the current sanctioning process. Crystie shared that a new, more user-friendly process is coming. She said that those with immediate issues should contact the National Office.
 - 9. Relay: Crystie promoted the upcoming volunteer Relay, highlighting its benefits for all experience levels.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

- 1. LMSCS should address any missed LMSC Standards
- 2. 2026 Zone Meet in Colorado

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 PM CST.
