

Committee Name:	Coaches	Session #:	Report #:
Committee Chair:	Scott Bay	Vice Chair:	Stu Kahn
Minutes recorded by:	Cokie Lepinski	Date/time of meeting:	11-14-12, 8pm eastern

Motions Passed:

1. None

Number of committee members present: 12	Absent: 10	Number of other delegates present: 0
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Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):

Scott Bay; Stu Kahn; Ken Brisbin; Chris Campbell; Bob Jennings; Cokie Lepinski; Kim Lloyd; Erin Matthews; Tom Mester; Ex-Officio Bill Brenner; Executive Committee Jody Smith

Absent: Michael Collins; Lisa Dahl; Alben Fischer; Jared Foster; Kristin Gary; Emmett Hines; Frank Marcinkowski; Tricia Wallace; Associate Member CJ Rushman; Ex-Officio Jillian Wilkins

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:05pm eastern

1. Priorities for 2013. First is to develop an online Coaches Library for USMS. This is a very high priority for us. Second is Publications (Streamlines, Streamlines for Coaches). Third is Coaches Education beyond certification. We would like to do more cross-committee work as we recognize that coaches are involved in other aspects – fitness, science, medicine, nutrition. For example, how about designing an education module on adaptive swimming for those with special needs.
2. Operating Procedures and Meetings. At this time, our committee members should have had a chance to sign up for a subcommittee. Subcommittees can meet by email, or with advance notice, a conference call. We need to follow Roberts Rules for all of our meetings.
3. Agenda Items. If you have an item, please let Scott know in advance so he can get it on the agenda in in order for committee members to have a chance to digest the issue.
4. Everyone should be up on the secure forum for coaches on the USMS website. We can have discussions there and upload documents. We can also use the forum to develop and use a consent agenda to streamline our conference calls.
5. Old Business. Stu Kahn gave an update on online coaching. We have 7 coaches posting workouts weekly on the USMS website. This is our second year of an expanded module (from 4 to 7 coaches). It was incredibly well received in 2012 with quadruple site visits from 2011. They are currently accepting apps for the 2013 crew. Six out of the seven 2012 coaches have offered their services for 2013. They have not had as many applications for new coaches as they had hoped. Therefore, they have extended the application deadline to December 1st. It is a \$1500 stipend to provide 4-5 workouts per week, every week of the year.
6. Other old business from convention was a discussion with the Championship Committee on coaches passes for hospitality at the Nationals. A Task Force comprised of members from both committees is recommended to address the issue. There is a goal to complete that by Dec 31, 2012. If you are interested in helping out, contact Scott Bay.
7. New business. From Heather Howland. She serves on the Awards Committee. We do the Coach of The Year award and want to increase the number of applicants for COY. Ideas are to promote in *SWIMMER* Magazine focusing on last year's winner, highlight that coach, what made them COY material, and to do

that an issue or two before they start accepting applications. We also want to establish better communications with the LMSC Coaches Chair to encourage the LMSCs to bring their LMSC COY person forward for consideration of the USMS COY.

8. International Coaching. Worlds are in Canada in 2014. Based on geography, we expect to have a large USMS presence. Kristin Gary heads up the International Coaches with Heather Howland. Worlds will be held in back-to-back years, Montreal in 2014 and Russia in 2015. Pan Am Games are in Sarasota in 2013. Help is needed on the International Coaching subcommittee.
9. Another task we do is provide service to meet hosts for Nationals, and this extends beyond coaching. We've had ad hoc committees to run that in the past. On deck coaching is one area to coordinate.
10. Convention is another committee. The programs we put together for Dryland and Stroke Technique this year were popular. We need someone to take the lead on that.
11. Homework: Returning to our priorities. Between now our next meeting on the second Wednesday of December (that is Weds Dec 12th), think about a topic and we can populate the list of publications for the two Streamlines (one for coaches, one for swimmers). It can be something small and doesn't have to be a big undertaking. For example: what you do, what you like to do, or what you do differently. Chris Campbell has a goal setting write up to share for Streamlines the he will send to Cokie Lepinski.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:29pm eastern
