Committee Name: Coaches Session #: Report #:

Committee Chair: Scott Bay Vice Chair: Stu Kahn

Minutes recorded by: Cokie Lepinski Date/time of meeting: 8.14.13 8:00 PM Eastern

Motions Passed:

Number of committee members present: 12 Absent: 9 Number of other delegates present:

Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Scott Bay (Chair), Bill Brenner (Ex Officio) Chris Campbell, Emmett Hines, Bob Jennings, Cokie Lepinski, Kim Lloyd, Frank Marcinkowski, Erin Matthews, Tom Mester, Executive Committee Jody Smith, Jillian Wilkins (Ex Officio)

Not present: Ken Brisbin, Michael Collins, Lisa Dahl, Alben Fisher, Jared Foster, Kristin Gary, Heather Howland, Stu Kahn, (VC), CJ Rushman (Associate Member)

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 p.m. eastern

- 1. Level 4. Scott sent out queries to a group of approximately 20 people (with broad representation in USMS) about names they might suggest for a Level 4 evaluation Committee. 5 have been invited and Scott is waiting for 2 of the 5 to indicate their willingness to serve on the screening committee. At this point, the 3 that have committed are Dr. Jim Miller, Kerry O'Brien, and Stu Kahn.
- 2. Nationals On Deck –Mission Viejo. Chris Campbell gave us a follow up report. Thursday was a little thin with only 3 people on deck. Other than that, it went ok. The kick fins on the block are new to many of the swimmers, and that caused some delay in getting the line moving from the blocks as they had a trial and error approach to adjusting the fins. Having one of these set up in the non competition warm up area might help. We can't spend the time to educate or train the swimmers on the block in the limited time we have in the warm ups. It was suggested to do something in Streamlines (a video tutorial) and then also have this video available at the registration booth (or elsewhere) at Nationals. Erin will work on this with a few others on the Committee.
- 3. Convention: A question was posed whether it would be possible to conference call our Coaches Committee at Convention. Probably not, as they don't have equipment to do this in all the Convention rooms. We may be able to do this with a cell phone, but no guarantees.
- 4. Goals for 2014. Due to the very tight timeline that we will have at Convention in our meeting, it was decided to hold off on discussion of 2014 Goals and SwimFest at Convention.
- 5. Subcommittee and Task Force Reports

International Coaching – Frank – nothing substantially new since his last report. The Canadian Executive Director of their swimming program said he'd give us what we needed in the forms of rosters. This would most likely start about 4 months out and would probably be updated weekly.

Web Workouts – Scott. Possibility of adding a Dryland Coach to the mix, but many more details need to be worked out.

LMSC Communications – Cokie. We continue to put out short news bulletins on a monthly basis to the LMSC Coaches Chairs that consist of a link to our conference call minutes and anything else that we want to get the word out on (like on deck coaching for Nationals, etc).

Certification – covered above. Level 1 & 2 at ASCA; Level 1-2-3 are being taught at Convention; Level 3 in Novato, CA on September 28th. They have Salt Lake in November and are starting to book 2014 dates. Through June, 1058 coaches have attended the Certification courses for levels 1, 2 & 3. Frank added that his LMSC is very happy with the direction of the Certification courses.

Awards – Scott – COY has been selected as has Club of The Year, to be announced at Convention. There is a request that all Kerry O'Brien award winners send their pictures in so their photos can be put on the screen when their names are announced at Convention.

High Performance – Cokie – the HPC is ready to go and full with 20 campers. Camp starts Aug 24th and runs through Aug 29th. Cokie will submit a written debrief and have it ready before Convention.

Publications – Cokie – we have seen a drop off of submissions and encourage you all to keep on submitting your articles and article ideas. hope that with Level 4 requirements coming out soon we will seen an increase in our coaches authoring articles.

Web Content – Scott, nothing new to report

Triathlon / Open Water – No report

Fitness – No report

- 6. **Old Business** no report
- 7. **New Business** Frank M updated us that his team is working on getting teams on military bases. They have just signed an agreement with Navy Bethesda, and they start after Labor Day. This base has 5500 personnel, and they are merging the program with the National Institute of Health across the street with 24,000 employees.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm eastern