

<b>Committee Name:</b>	Coaches Committee	<b>Session#:</b>	<b>Report #:</b>
<b>Committee Chair:</b>	Ken Brisbin	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Chris McPherson
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Molly Hoover	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	June 13, 2022 5p PST

## Roll Call

<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 14	<b>Absent:</b> 3	<b># of other delegates present:</b> 1
<b>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):</b> Ken Brisbin (Chair), Chris McPherson (Vice Chair), Scott Bay, Chris Campbell (VP), Donita Flecker, Steve Hall, Michael Hamm, Molly Hoover, Laurie Hug, Wilson Josephson, Carol Nip, Elise Shank, Trey Taylor, Tim Waud		
<b>Not present:</b> Bill Brenner, Terry Heggy, Susan Ingraham		
<b>Others present:</b> Nadine Day		

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5:02 p.m. Pacific Standard Time

### 1. Welcome!

### 2. Committee Reports -

- a. Web Workouts (Molly): The sub-committee is monitoring the workouts and most are in communication at some point throughout the month.
- b. Worlds Coaching (Tim): PanAm games is coming up and entries have closed. Lina is ready to go and in contact with the National Office regarding travel and arrangements. There are less than 100 USMS swimmers attending.
- c. NCC - (Trey): The National Coaches Convention will be Oct 7-9 at the Renaissance Hotel in Las Vegas with practice time in the UNLV pool on Sunday Morning. Dr. G is fully committed to be in attendance. Rowdy is a firm maybe. Some college coaches have been approached, and we are waiting to hear if they are able to be there.
  - i. Friday - welcome speaker
  - ii. Saturday - 5 speakers
  - iii. Sunday - drills with Dr. G in pool
 The price and registration date are still being discussed and will be settled and posted soon.
- d. Awards - (Elise): We have one application turned in. We are hoping for more in the next few weeks. Keep talking it up in your areas and reminding clubs and coaches to submit nominations. The deadline is July 1.
- e. Education - (Bill/Chris M): Courses scheduled in Charlotte and Oregon are coming up. Level 1 online certification is still going strong, averaging about 20 people per month for the zoom calls. There is a possible course in Pacific coming at the end of the year.
- f. Level 4 Applications: The deadline is July 15 to submit the initial application. None have applied so far.

- g. Communications (Molly): An email will be sent soon with reminders and requests to be brought up to coaches' chairs. Will include mention of Mentoring program.
- h. Mentoring (Chris M): Everything is set and online. We have received 4 applications for mentors. The committee is hoping for more and may extend the June 15 deadline, in order to recruit more coaches to apply. The subcommittee will meet to discuss, including how to address the lack of marketing by USMS; no applicants applied until Bill reached out.
- i. On Deck Coaching - (Michael): The on deck coaching slots for Long Course Nationals are now online, but not many coaches have signed up. The link for will be sent out again in the next reminder.
- j. Open Water (Michael): Nothing new to report. Be sure to check out OW on the USMS website.
- k. Publications (Terry): Always looking for articles!
- l. Diversity - (Wilson): DI committee is continuing work on a number of topics, such as trans swimmers and code of conduct. They have shared content regarding the code of conduct and grievance procedures. If you have anyone in mind for the DI award, please submit the nomination; there is only one submitted so far.
- m. Coaches Community Forum - (Susan): Still working with the National Office on how to clean up irrelevant areas of the site; the national office does not want to delete old posts, but we want to keep it up to date.

Discussion - Younger generation typically does not use forums to find information. Our format is not very user friendly, so those that don't use it on a regular basis are not familiar with it. Even something as little as the fact that different fonts can be used to post makes it very confusing. Many just google to get the info instead as it is much easier and quicker.

- n. ALTS - (Michael): There will be an ALTS class in Charlotte in September, and Oregon in October.
3. **New Business -**
- a. Chris M and Kenny had a call with Peggy Ewald, the Consultant for U.S. Paralympics Swimming, about how we can collaborate on para-swimming certification for our USMS coaches. There is a new Paralympic coaching course that could be modified for masters coaches, but is not part of the USMS current certification process. They are planning for her to headline a peer to peer later in the year (September or October).
    - i. Certifications are also coming up in October in California, and in September through ASCA. Nadine Day and a number of other masters' coaches have already become certified, and Tim Waud has signed up to do so in CO Springs.
    - ii. Link for more information regarding certification process for Paralympics coaches: <https://www.teamusa.org/usparaswimming/coaching-certification>.

- b. Chris Wagner has some suggestions for 2024 for how to form questions on the registration for USMS swimmers. Kenny has that information and will work with him on that.
- c. Try Masters Swimming - 250 clubs participating in TMS in the month of July, which is 45 more than last year.  
Discussion - Do we have stats about how many swimmers became members of USMS each year due to the Try Masters Swimming campaign? Steve can work on finding the number of people who converted from trial members to full members.
- d. Michael to Chris C - After hearing the discussions about the vision, etc., are we (USMS) heading in the right direction?  
Chris C. responded: We have to evolve or we go extinct. A lot of what we are doing is trial and error. Board members are there to collect input, no debate these things. What Chris/the Board thinks isn't relevant, we want to know what the volunteers and members think. Any changes that we make have to be approved by the HOD, so we need to take these inputs and put it in a proposal to be voted on by the House.

#### 4. **Final Roll Call**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:57p Pacific Standard Time.