2019 U.S. Masters Swimming Annual Meeting — St. Louis, Missouri

Committee Name: Colonies Zone Session #: 1 of 1
Committee Chair: Mollie Grover Vice Chair: Rand Vaillancourt
Minutes recorded by: Jeff Strahota Date/time of meeting: 12 Sept 2019 – 9:49

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:
1. N/A

Motions Passed:
1. Award 2019 Colonies Zone SCM Championship to WPI (F-S December 13-15)
2. Award 2020 Colonies Zone SCY Championship to GMU (Fairfax) (F-S April 3-5)

Number of committee members present: 42 Absent: N/A Number of other delegates present: N/A
Committee Members Absent: N/A

Minutes
The meeting was called to order at 9:49.

1. Introductions of the members of the zone.
2. Zone Dot Award – No nominees again this year. See the colonieszone.org website for nomination form and past recipients.
3. LMSC Standards Discussion
   a. 7 of our LMSCs were Premier Plus – meeting all Target AND Mandatory standards. There were 18 such LMSCs in USMS, and we had 39% of them!!
   b. 3.1.2 - Descriptions of jobs is to be present in the bylaws or LMSC Policy document. This was a target standard that were missed by 2 LMSCs.
   c. Make sure folks on LMSC board and who are volunteers are registered with USMS for the current year.
   d. Chairs/Vice Chairs – if you see something that looks wrong in your LMSC Standards results, please reach out to the LMSC Development Committee.
   e. Updates to 2020 Standards. The board did not implement 2 (i and ii below) and kept two others (iii and iv).
      i. Coaches/Officials for small LMSCs – because this is a target standard, let’s keep it and keep it an aspiration
      ii. LMSC/Treasurer not the same person – keep this in to codify in an easily accessible document
4. Zone Championship 2018-19 recap. WPI (SCM) and GMU (SCY) were the only two zone championships in the last year.
5. New Business
   a. Zone Championships 19-20
      i. SCM 2019 WPI – 1500 (fast-to-slow) this year on Friday Dec 13-15 (Leo/Claire MSA)
      ii. SCY 2020 GMU – Friday Apr 3-5 (Crystie/Claire MSA)
      iii. Metro folks will send forth Rockaway Swim details for a 1 & 2 Mi OW Zone Championship
b. Elections

i. Email from chair – currently go to Chair and Vice Chair; add secretary to make sure we are getting info out to all of the LMSCs.

ii. Nominees: Doug Sayles (Leo/Claire MSA); Mollie Grover (Charlie C/Ray N MSA). Doug did not accept his nomination. Move to close nominations (Leo L/Chris M MSA). Voted to elect Mollie via acclamation (Leo L/Clare L). Mollie wins by acclamation.

iii. Rand V/Chrystie M nominated Doug Sayles for VC. As this position is appointed by the Chair, Mollie appointed Doug to be the official Vice Chair.

c. Guy Davis (New England); brought up a question about the role of Zone Chair. Patty gave an explanation on the purpose of the role as envisioned by BOD and president.

d. Events

i. Sept 28 2019 – Picking up Steam @ Randolph-Macon College, Ashland VA

ii. Sept 28 2019 – Gettysburg YWCA Fall meet.

iii. Sat Oct 5 2019 – Ithaca College dual recognized with CCS

iv. Sat Oct 12 2019 – Capital Classic @ Wilson Aquatic Center, Washington DC

v. Sun Oct 25 2019 – GMU Sprint Classic @ GMU-Fairfax

vi. Sat Nov 2 2019 – VMST Fall Meet @ Bayside Rec Center, Va Beach

vii. Sat Nov 23 – Gettysburg YWCA Last Chance SCM

viii. Sun Nov 24 2019 – 5th Annual Dr. Billy Ross Meet @ Nassau County Aquatic Center (10x25M)

ix. Sat Dec 7 2019 – Solstice Meet @ Germantown MD

x. Sun Jan 12 2020 – 1st annual VA Beach Sprint Invite @ VA Wesleyan Norfolk VA

xi. Sun Jan 26 2020 – Tropical Splash @ GW Swim Center, Alexandria VA

xii. Sat Feb 1 2020 – David Gregg Meet @ Nova, Richmond VA

xiii. Sun Feb 29 2020 – Club Tribe meet @ William & Mary, Williamsburg VA

xiv. March 2020 – March 14 distance day, 20/21 rest of the events.

xv. April 4/5 New York State Masters Championships (3 sessions Sat AM/Sat PM/Sun AM) @ Eisenhour

xvi. July 25 Kingdom Swim @ Lake Memphremagog, VT (10mi national championship)

xvii. August 12-16 2020 Nationals are in Richmond

xviii. Aug 15 2020 – 2 mi Cable Swim in Lake Placid

xix. Aug 22 2020 – Lake George 10k USMS National Championship (also have 2.5k and 5k)

xx. MD Swim Series Meets happening monthly (OCT @ Ellicott City, NOV Talbot County, DEC Washington College, Jan Annapolis, FEB Severna Park, MARCH Annapolis)

xxi. NewEnglandLMSC.org has a very comprehensive event list.

e. Other

i. Ray N recognized Mollie for her first two years of service.

ii. Kirk K recognized that Dr. Jim Miller will be inducted in the MISHOF on Friday evening.

iii. Dave D recognized that Jeff Roddin will be presented with the Ransom Arthur Award on Saturday’s banquet.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. N/A

The meeting was adjourned at 10:36 am (Ray/Natalie MSA).