

Connecticut LMSC

Annual Meeting Minutes 11/13/16

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Meeting was called to order with 5 people in attendance: Jeff Sargent- chair, Ally Segal- secretary, Pam Moss, Ben Wyckoff, and Rob Duguay

National office received a complaint that the LMSC didn't recognize a new member had joined. Pam suggested that a welcome letter be sent to new members.

There is still too much money in the LMSC account. It has been suggested to run ALTS programs, coaching clinics, and reimburse officials who work master's meets.

This year, CONN Masters LMSC paid for one open water swim. Jeff suggested that next year's goal be to pay for 3 swims. Ally suggested that the goal be 4, 2 in the southwestern part of the state and 2 in the central part of the state.

Jeff suggested that a list of approved officials be added to the website. Officials can be certified by USA, high school, NCAA, or YMCA, or USMS. For the times to count towards USA Swimming, the referee must be USA certified.

The topic of an LMSC laptop and meet manager/team manager program came up. It had been decided that the original reason for needing these had passed. It was discussed that they would still be valuable tools in coordinating swimmer times from across the LMSC.

Jeff suggested that towels be bought for members who achieve All American status. Ally also suggested that the LMSC pay for top ten patches, maybe for first time recipients.

40% of Conn Masters compete. Can outreach be done to improve this number? Ally to look into organizing coaches from all areas of the LMSC as a way of providing more information from the LMSC to coaches who can in turn provide that information to swimmers. In areas that are uncoached, a swimmer representative could be used.

Ben had some ideas for creating smart phone apps. The idea would be to make times and time conversions more accessible. There are challenges working with USMS's database.

It was suggested that USMS have a social event. This social might occur after a swim meet, like the former post Summer Sizzler picnic. The Groundhog meet would not be a good time as it is usually on Superbowl Sunday. It could also involve a board meeting, dinner and then a social.

Ally suggested getting a co-branded USMS/CONN Master's banner.

Per Bill Geoghegan, the number of sanctioned events were up this year. There were 14 in 2014, 11 in 2015, and 16 in 2016.