

Connecticut LMSC - Annual Meeting Minutes

Original meeting scheduled for June 28, 2015 was canceled; "make-up meeting" was held on February 7, 2016

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Subject: Re: 2015 Annual Meeting Minutes due April 30th

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To: AnnaLea@usms.org

Sorry our minutes are late. Our meeting was also late since it had gotten cancelled in the summer (weather and facility issues). Here they are and I have also posted them on CTLMSC.org. Thanks for being patient.

Make up meeting for cancelled 6/28/15 meeting.

Meeting was called to order around 1:30 and was adjourned around 2:00.

The primary topic for discussion was the treasure's report and subsequent budget. Connecticut Masters is again generating more revenue than expenses. It was noted that some board members have not submitted for 2015 expenses which explains part of the lack of expenses. Said board members have said they will try to get there expenses in ASAP. It was noted that last year, the board had agreed to run a survey for members to vote on a new logo and then create a cap for members as a free member benefit to all LMSC members. The survey was successfully completed, caps were created and ordered (both latex and silicone) and have been handed out to any LMSC member at swim meets. Almost half the of the latex caps have been distributed and all of the silicone caps have. Due to the success, more caps will be ordered at a later point in time. The board will also look into creating team t-shirts which will also be free to all LMSC members.

Jeff Sargent suggested to again have the LMSC pay all sanctioning fees for pool meets and would like to fund 2 sanctioned open water swim events. He suggested we try to fund one in Fairfield/Litchfield counties and another in the central/eastern part of the state. The board agreed with this decision. Jeff will work with events in the Fairfield/Litchfield area to pick an event. Galen Rinaldi will do the same in the rest of the state.

Jeff has been researching other ways services to offer members as a benefit. He had suggested having learn to swim clinics with Pam Moss and Ally Sega as instructors. He again suggested

having one in the Fairfield/Litchfield counties and another in the central/eastern part of the state with the LMSC picking up costs to run these programs. Again the board agreed. It was also mentioned to have a competitive swim clinic somewhere in the state. Ally was willing to be the coach for a clinic if a place could be found to have one.

Lastly, regarding the budget, Jeff suggested that the members would benefit if the LMSC bought a laptop and a license Meet Manager. He believes that more places/groups would be willing to run meets if they had access to Meet Manager and that it might be easier for some already existing meets to have access to the LMSC's license. His research shows that Meet Manager can be owned by a club or an association, so the LMSC would qualify as an association. It was noted that having an LMSC license to Meet Manager would be a great way to quickly update and store LMSC records. It was suggested that the LMSC also buy a portable printer so that all meet hosts would be able to quickly set up and run meets. The board unanimously agreed to purchase all three items. Well many qualified members in the IT field were mentioned, it was agreed that Pam would research a good laptop and printer to purchase. It was believed that her advantage was in hearing the discussion for what equipment would be most useful.

Lastly, Jeff brought up elections, which will be held at the next meeting. He said he will not be willing to serve after this term as chair but would like to remain involved in recruiting groups to host masters events. He also clarified that the only elected positions on the board are Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and Registrar. All other board positions are appointed positions and do not need elections. (This is written into the CTLMSC bylaws.)

The floor was then open to at large questions. The first question was the delay in meets being announced. It was clarified that this was not a usms or ctlmsc website issue but an issue that the meets themselves are not finalized and announced until shortly before the event. This was answered in that often the pools dates can not be confirmed until late. Ally requested that all information for the website be sent to her as early as possible so it can be added to the website quickly. All agreed to help in with this. Peter Canning has also agreed to learn the website so that he can be a contributor. This will hopefully also increase the amount and quickness of information being added to the site.

No other questions were asked and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Ally Sega, CTLMSC Secretary