

USMS Convention — Atlanta, Georgia 2016

Committee Name: Dixie Zone	Session #: 1
Committee Chair: Matt Hooper	Vice Chair:
Minutes recorded by: Lisa Watson	Date/time of meeting: 9/22/16 9:30 AM

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

None

Motions Passed:

1. **MSA TO AWARD THE DIXIE ZONE 2017 CHAMPIONSHIP MEETS TO: SCY- CARY, NORTH CAROLINA; LCM- GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA; SCM- ORLANDO, FLORIDA.**
2. **MSA TO ENDORSE THE CANDIDACIES OF ROB COPELAND AND GRETA VAN MEETEREN FOR THE DIXIE ZONE AT LARGE DIRECTOR.**

Number of committee members present: 49 **Absent: N/A** **Number of other delegates present: 0**

Committee members present: Matt Hooper (Chair), Lisa Watson, Eddie Ames, Conner Bailey, Scott Bay, Joan Campbell, Hill Carrow, Jerry Clark, Rob Copeland, Maria Elias-Williams, Cathy Fedaho, Doug Fetcheid, Sean Fitzgerald, Don Gilchrist, Stephen Goldman, Jack Groselle, Laura Groselle, Viki Hill, Doug Holmes, Dawson Hughes, Linda Irish Bostic, Bob Jennings, Kristen Jenó, Tan King, Bob Kohmescher, Cheryl Kupan, Catherine Kusi, Megan Lassen, Anna Lea Matysek, Jim Matysek, Chris McPherson David Morrill, Carolin Moote, Helen Naylor, Sonny Ngyuen, Chris Powers, Barb Protzman, Ed Saltzman, Leslie Scott, Mia Stevens, Jeffrey Tacca, Trey Taylor, Todd Torres, Greta Van Meeteren, Joanne Wainwright, Allison Ware, Steve Weatherman, Jillian Wilkins and Meegan Wilson.

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM

1. **ROLL CALL/ATTENDANCE**
Matt had all of the Dixie Zone delegates introduces themselves.
2. **REPORTS**
Dixie Zone Records Chair Ed Saltzman reported that the Dixie Zone records are currently up to date. Andy Dyer is the Dixie Zone Top Ten Chair. Ed reminded all swimmers that if they compete in a meet outside of the Dixie Zone, they should send him their name and the name of the meet they competed in. He also reminded the Dixie Zone delegates that we do have Top Ten patches available for purchase for anyone interested.
3. **LMSC STANDARDS**
Matt stated that the revised LMSC standards and guidelines were approved by the USMS Board of Directors in July, and sent to the LMSC Chairs last month. They have also been posted on the USMS website.
4. **ELECTION OF DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2017**
The following venues bid for the 2017 Dixie Zone SCY Championships: Clearwater, Florida, Auburn, Alabama, Coral Springs, Florida, and Cary, North Carolina. There was a single bid for the Dixie Zone LCM Championship from Greenville,

South Carolina. There are no bidders at this time for the Dixie Zone Open Water Championships. There were 2 bids for the Dixie Zone SCM Championships- Orlando, Florida and Coral Springs, Florida. **MSA TO AWARD THE DIXIE ZONE 2017 CHAMPIONSHIP MEETS TO: SCY- CARY, NORTH CAROLINA; LCM- GREENVILLE, SOUTH CAROLINA; SCM- ORLANDO , FLORIDA.** Dates for these events are: Cary- April 8-9; Greenville- June 30-July 2; Orlando- October 13-15. Matt will try to solicit bidders for the 2017 Dixie Zone Open Water Championship.

5. OLD BUSINESS

CONFLICTING MEETS SITUATION :Matt discussed the ongoing situation of conflicting meets and the Dixie Zone policy. Currently, our guidelines are to not have meets on the same dates as a Dixie Zone Championship that are within a reasonable driving distance to the meet. In case that situation should arrive, Matt will confer with the Dixie Zone LMSC Chairs to vote on whether this meet can take place.

This year, there were conflicts for all Dixie Zone Championship meets. For both SCY and LCM, the Dixie Zone Championship was originally scheduled for a particular weekend, but then had to be moved to another weekend where events had already been scheduled. For the SCM Championship, there is another conflicting meet that can only be held on that particular date. Matt asked for the opinion of the delegates regarding our Zone policy regarding this situation. The consensus was that our current guidelines are a sufficient way of handling this issue, and that common sense regarding the conflict is the best directive.

6. NEW BUSINESS

CANDIDATES FOR DIXIE ZONE AT LARGE DIRECTOR: Matt commented that our current Dixie Zone at large director is Sean Fitzgerald. The Dixie Zone thanked Sean for his 2 years of service in this position. Sean will not be running for a second term. We have 2 candidates for the position of Dixie Zone At Large Director. **MSA TO ENDORSE THE CANDIDACIES OF ROB COPELAND AND GRETA VAN MEETEREN FOR DIXIE ZONE AT LARGE DIRECTOR.**

STROKE CLINICS- Marianne Groenings from the National Office Education Department announced that in 2017 there will be stroke clinics offered with the coaches certification clinics. A stroke clinic component will be added to the coaches certification so that the new coaches may conduct the stroke clinics.

2017 DATES FOR DIXIE ZONE MEETS- Ed Saltzman encouraged the various LMSCs to submit the dates for their 2017 events to Dixie Zone webmaster Dick Brewer as soon as they know them.

ADJOURNMENT- The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 AM.