

# USMS Convention — Dallas, Texas 2017

<b>Committee Name:</b> Dixie Zone		<b>Session #:</b> 1
<b>Committee Chair:</b> Matt Hooper		<b>Vice Chair:</b> N/A
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b> Lisa Watson		<b>Date/time of meeting:</b> September 14, 2017 5:30 PM

## Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD:

1. None

## Motions Passed:

1. **MSA TO ELECT ED SALTZMAN AS DIXIE ZONE CHAIR FOR THE NEXT 2 YEAR TERM.**
2. **MSA TO AWARD THE 2018 DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS TO THE FOLLOWING : SCY-CLEARWATER, FLORIDA; OPEN WATER- CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE; SCM- CORAL SPRINGS, FLORIDA.**
3. **MSA TO SUSPEND THE DIXIE ZONE LC CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2018 TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN THE PAN AM GAMES IN ORLANDO.**

<b>Number of committee members present:</b> 40	<b>Absent:</b>	<b>Number of other delegates present:</b>
<b>Committee members present:</b> Matt Hooper (Chair), Jerry Clark, Kristen Vero, Todd Torres, Trey Taylor, Steve Weatherman, Hill Carrow, Sonny Nguyen, Ed Saltzman, Joan Campbell, Meegan Wilson, Bob Jennings, Maria Elias-Williamson, Rob Copeland, Lisa Watson, Frank Odell, Chris Powers, Mia Stevens, Jessica Porter, Onshacee Pranchitmore, Linda Irish Bostic, Joanne Wainwright, Erin Moro, Cathy Hallmon-Kenner, David Morrill, Maddie Silmha, Jason Weis, Rich Schumacher, Sean Fitzgerald, Mariela Miers, David Minor, Jack Groselle, Laura Groselle, Barb Protzman, Celia Wolff, Meagan Lassen, Chris McPherson, Helen Naylor, Allison Ware, Steve Heck, Ashley Holden, Ian King		
<b>Committee Members Absent:</b>		

## Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

1. **ROLL CALL** Chair Matt Hooper had all of the committee members identify themselves by name and LMSC. New delegates to the convention were recognized.
2. **REPORTS**  
Chair(Matt Hooper)- Matt briefly discussed the LMSC standards, which all LMSCs are expected to meet. The framework for these standards can be found on the USMS website.  
Records (Ed Saltzman)- Ed announced that all Dixie Zone records are up to date, including Budapest.  
Top Ten (Ed Saltzman)- New Dixie Zone patches have been ordered with a new design. Andy Dyer is updating the Dixie Zone Top Ten for all courses.  
Webmaster(Dick Brewer)- Dick Brewer is not present at the convention. The Dixie Zone acknowledged that he does a fantastic job maintaining our website.
3. **ELECTION OF DIXIE ZONE CHAIR-** Matt announced that he is not running for re-election. There are 2 candidates for this position: Helen Naylor (Southeastern) and Ed Saltzman (Georgia). **MSA TO ELECT ED SALTZMAN AS DIXIE CHAIR FOR THE NEXT 2 YEAR TERM.** All ballots were destroyed.
4. **DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS-**  
A. 2017 Our 2017 Dixie Zone Championship meets held were Cary, NC for SCY and Greenville, SC for LCM. The SCM Dixie Zone Championships will be held in Orlando in October.  
B. 2018 **MSA TO AWARD THE 2018 DIXIE ZONE CHAMPIONSHIPS TO THE FOLLOWING: SCY-CLEARWATER, FLORIDA; OPEN WATER-CHATTANOOGA, TENNESSEE; SCM- CORAL SPRINGS, FLORIDA.** The SCY Championships will be held February 9-11; Open Water Championships will be

held the first weekend in June; SCM Championships will be held in early December. **MSA TO SUSPEND THE DIXIE ZONE LC CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR 2018 TO ENCOURAGE PARTICIPATION IN THE PAN AM GAMES IN ORLANDO.**

5. **LMSC STANDARDS-** Matt explained that there are 2 categories of LMSC Standards: ‘mandatory’ and ‘target’. In each LMSC, a survey of the standards are sent to the Chair and Treasurer for specific areas. In the LMSCs, there were different levels of compliance. Matt noted 2 unresolved issues, which may require remediation. One specific issue of concern was non USMS members competing at a meet and being included in the meet results. Ed encouraged communication with LMSC Top Ten and Sanction Chairs. It was noted that there are now 2 weeks allotted for reporting results. Ed also cautioned that results should be submitted in publication order (rather than according to the order of events).
6. **OLD BUSINESS-** Dick Brewer will be posting our calendar of events for 2018 on the Dixie Zone website. LMSCs should be sure to submit meet dates and locations to Dick as soon as they are known. In case of any potential conflict with competing meets, the LMSC Chairs will intervene.
7. **NEW BUSINESS-** Allison Ware (Southeastern) suggested that we try to get our reporting of open water results on par with the standard that we set for meet results.  
Rob Copeland, our current At Large Director for the Dixie Zone, said that he does not want to run for re-election next year and encouraged someone new to run for this position. Jack Groselle expressed interest in serving. Rob also encouraged all Dixie Zone members to talk with the various candidates to make an informed vote in the upcoming elections at the House of Delegates.

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The meeting was adjourned at 6:20 PM CST.

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