Maryland Local Masters Swim Chapter
General Membership meeting
October, 24, 2021
Dancell Family YMCA, Ellicott City, MD.

The meeting was called to order by Rand Vaillancourt, Vice Chairman at 6:05 PM.

Roll call – 57 current Maryland LMSC members present.

Rand requested that only current Maryland LMSC members participate in any voting.

Rand asked for a motion to approve and accept the minutes from the January 21, 2021 Board of Directors meeting as posted on the LMSC web site. The motion was so made by John Zarkowsky to approve and accept the minutes as written and seconded by Tom Matysek. There was no discussion. A vote was taken. The motion to approve and accept the January 21, 2021 minutes as written passed.

**Reports of Officers:**

**Chairman, John Zarkowsky** – John noted that membership was close to the 2020 level. However, this is about a third less than years before so members are encouraged to invite friends and others to build our LMSC strength. John also thanked all the volunteers that have kept activities alive, and for others to please consider volunteering.

**Vice Chairman, Rand Vaillancourt** – Rand asked for volunteers of the 2022 nomination committee, and for members to consider volunteering for the elected positions.

**Secretary, John Adey** – Not present report given by Vice Chairman - Please convey my regrets, I offer the following report: Detailed monthly emails received from Mr. Vaillancourt and Mr. Zarkowsky. All in order according to the requirements of USMS.

**Treasurer, Rand Vaillancourt** – All reports, audit and filings have been completed and submitted as required. We are in the black. Due to the enacting of the USMS unified fee structure, we are unable to provide services that we have in past years free of charge.

Rand requested a motion to accept and approve the reports of officers as given. A motion was so made by John Zarkowsky and seconded by Tom Matysek. There was no discussion. A vote was taken. The motion to accept and approve the reports of officers as given passed.

**Reports of Committee Chairs:**

**Membership Coordinator, John Zarkowsky:** Our membership is about two thirds of what it was before COVID.

**Sanctions, Jill Springer:** Not present, given by Vice Chairman – Sanctions have been issued, in accordance with USMS requirements, for the 2021-22 Carol Chidester Memorial Swim Series. All meet results, that have been submitted, have been sent to USMS for posting.

**Top Ten, Jill Springer:** Not present, given by Vice Chairman – No report at this time.

**Coaches, Rand Vaillancourt:** USMS is looking for on deck coaches for nationals.

**Officials, Tom Matysek:** USMS is trying to move away from officials from other organizations for USMS meets. Right now on line official certification is available free of charge. Currently there are eight USMS certified officials in our LMSC.
Communications, Rand Vaillancourt: Working closely with the membership coordinator and webmaster, all communications have been sent out to the membership in a timely manner.

Editor, Jenifer Robinson: Not present. No report.

Webmaster, Christopher Freigang: Not present. Report given by Vice Chairman. Please do not ask for non USMS or LMSC sanctioned or recognized events to be posted on the web site. Allow enough lead time for posting.

Fitness, Carolyn Voorhees: Not present. No report.

Open Water (Postals/Long Distance), Traci McNeil: Not present. No report.

Safety, Jeffrey Smith: Not present. Report given by Vice Chairman. There have not been any safety issues to report.

Swim Series, Rand Vaillancourt: The dates and locations for the 2021-22 Carol Chidester Memorial Swim Series have been secured and are available on the LMSC web site and at USMS.

Rand requested a motion to accept and approve the committee reports as given. A motion was so made by John Zarkowsky and seconded by Tom Matysek. There was no discussion. A vote was taken. The motion to accept and approve the committee reports as given passed.

Unfinished Business – None.

New business – None. Rand requested that any new business be presented at the next Board of Directors meeting. The date, time and location will be sent to the membership in accordance with the bylaws.

Resolutions and Orders – Rand requested a motion that the membership approve and accept all actions of the Board of Directors on behalf of the membership. The motion to approve and accept all actions of the Board of Directors on behalf of the membership was so made by John Zarkowsky and seconded by Tom Matysek. There was no discussion. A vote was taken. The motion to approve and accept all actions of the Board of Directors on behalf of the membership passed.

Adjournment – Rand requested a motion to adjourn. The motion to adjourn was so made by John Zarkowsky and seconded by Tom Matysek. There was no discussion. The motion to adjourn passed.

Respectfully submitted by Rand Vaillancourt, Vice Chairman/Acting Secretary

Time adjourned: 6:25 PM