

New Mexico Masters Swimming
Annual Meeting
2 Nov, 2025

Attendees: Kay Armstrong (Secretary), John Berry, Greta Brown (online), Shaun Callis, Emily Clark (Treasurer), Rebecca (Bex) Friedberg (Chair), David Patterson, Lyndsay Shand

Meeting was called to order at 2:08PM MST.

Reports of Officers

Chair – Bex thanked all for their participation and support. She stated she would like to keep up the momentum that has built as related to open water swimming. Perhaps consider hosting an open water Zone Championship in the next year or two.

Secretary – Kay asked if any corrections were needed for the minutes of the Aug '25 special meeting. No changes requested. Bex made a motion to approve, John seconded, passed by voice.

Treasurer – Emily stated we have approximately \$40,000 in the bank. This year we earned \$4,164 and expensed \$4,806. Pending items include reimbursement for those who attended the Relay meeting; these checks were written and signed after the meeting.

Unfinished Business

-Lyndsay asked if there's been a resolution to the question of various work-out groups allowing drop-in for a fee. Bex stated this is still open, she's working on contacting reps from these workout groups to see if they'd support something like an "EPIC pass" for skiing, where the paid pass would allow drop-ins around the state.

-Kay reviewed action items from the Aug special meeting

---Lyndsay will check with Murph on the status of creating patches for the State meet in March.

---Bex confirmed the "paper entry" issue has been resolved. Awaiting one final conflict-of-interest form from a board member.

---Emily will hold a 2026 budget planning meeting in Jan 2026.

---Shaun organized an informal open-water event Sep 6-7 at Abiquiu Lake; enjoyed by all attendees.

---Bex will contact USMS to change assignment of Officials Chair from Teddy Decker to herself.

---"Guard your own water" question (Santa Fe) seems to be a pool-specific requirement, no specific USMS rule.

---Coaching certification course – an interest survey will be included in a future newsletter.

New Business

-According to Ben Travelstead the Lobo State Championship will be held the last weekend in Mar or first weekend in Apr, approximately one month prior to Nationals.

---during last weekend's meet several swimmers from across the state discussed holding a state meet in Las Cruces in late 2026 or 2027. This may encourage increased participation from swimmers in El Paso and west Texas.

---Emily reminded all to cross-check proposed event dates with state children's events, as many swimmers are also parents/officials involved in children's meets.

---In addition, any joint children / adult events must meet Safe Swimming criteria.

-Bex presented the new By-Laws of New Mexico Local Masters Swimming Committee, created by merging the existing New Mexico and West Texas by-laws.

---No corrections were offered nor changes requested. Greta made a motion to approve, and Jon seconded. New by-laws were approved by a voice vote.

-Article II d. of the by-laws states "Groups/Clubs shall appoint a representative to the NM LMSC". While this has not been formally enforced, increased participation in LMSC meetings would bring new voices and ideas to benefit the organization. Lyndsay offered that perhaps the group registration POC may be the best first contact into each group.

Kay moved to adjourn the meeting at 2:50, seconded by John.

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