

OMS December 2021 Annual Meeting — online Zoom meeting

Committee Name:	Oregon Masters Swimming	Session #:	n/a
Committee Chair:	Tim Waud	Vice Chair:	Robbert van Andel
Minutes recorded by:	Kristina Franklin	Date/time of meeting:	13 December 2021, 7:00 pm PDT

Actions Items:

1. OMS Board will review the Bylaws and Policies documents and provide suggested edits to Kristina by December 31, 2021.
2. Kristina will combine the suggested edits from the Bylaws and Policies documents into single “redline” versions of the documents and post the redlined versions for discussion at the January meeting.
3. Gary will send the new Club Assistant contract to the OMS board. Tim will reach out to our contacts at USMS to discuss the new contract and the changes.
4. Tim and Jeanna are going to plan a tour of the Order My Gear warehouse.
5. Tim will post to the OMS Facebook page to see if there is interest from amongst the OMS community to become new ALTS instructors.
6. Jeanne Teisher has agreed to head the OMS 50th Anniversary Committee. Valerie Jenkins has also agreed to join the committee. Ginger will send to Jeanne the information from the 30th anniversary celebration.

Motions Passed:

1. OMS to reimburse COMA \$1900 for hosting the COMA All-Around Challenge Meet. The reimbursement includes the \$500 base reimbursement plus \$20 per swimmer at 70 swimmers. Motion made by Robbert van Andel and seconded by Joy Ward.

Number of board members present: 17	Absent: 4	Number of guests present: 4
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Board members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):

Tim Waud (Chair)
Robbert van Andel (Vice-Chair, Sanctions)
Kristina Franklin (Secretary)
Alice Zabudsky (AquaMaster Editor)
Bob Bruce (Long Distance)
Christina Fox (Membership)
Gary Whitman (Data Manager)
Ginger Pierson (Payments Administrator)
Jeanna Summers (Souvenirs)
Joy Ward (Safety)
Kermit Yensen (Treasurer)
Marlys Cappaert (Program Development, ALTS)
MJ Caswell (Top Ten)
Nancy Vincent (OREG Club Rep)
Sandi Rousseau (USMS Rep)

Sara Shepherd (Awards)
Susie Young (Registrar)

Guests Present:

Valerie Jenkins
Jeanne Teisher
“Flyfish”
T. Johnson

Committee Members Absent:

Colette Crabbe (Fitness)
Jacki Allender (Officials)
Kevin Cleary (Coaches)
Steve Darnell (Records)

Summary of OMS Discussions via email prior to meeting

1. Jeff Moxie provided the 2021 ALTS Grant Summary to the OMS board. There were no grant recipients from Oregon.
2. Tim provided a link to [Legacy Aquatics](#), for a possible OMS Team apparel store. There is no cost to OMS to use this site, and we can get money back to use for awards and other logo merchandise.
3. Tim was asked to solicit information on Masters swimmers over the age of 80 years old. The information is to be used for a social media post on the USMS Facebook page. Any submissions should include a short bio and a nice picture.
4. An OMS member has asked about the availability of lap swim options in the North Portland/Vancouver area that are not during normal 8-5 working hours. The OMS member’s usual pool, the Columbia Pool, has closed permanently. Jeanna offered to follow up with him.
5. Kermit is ordering rule books and asked who would like a copy. Tim, Jacki, Ginger, and Sandi replied “yes”.

Minutes of Zoom meeting

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM.

1. October OMS Retreat Meeting Minutes- Kristina
 - a. Bob moves to approve the corrected October Retreat meeting minutes, Joy seconds. Minutes approved unanimously.
2. Policies and Bylaws- Kristina
 - a. December 31, 2021 is the deadline for people to provide suggested updates to the policies and bylaws documents.

- b. Kristina will combine the suggested edits into single “redline” versions of the documents and post the redlined versions for discussion at the January meeting.
3. Financial Report- Kermit
 - a. Current estimates give us an income of \$1444.02 for 2021. The 1-hour postal swim revenue has not been finalized and is not included in the budget numbers, but the expenses are included. Kermit has a temporary estimate of \$11,000 in the budget currently for the one-hour postal. Bob suggested the actual number will likely be a few thousand dollars lower.
 - b. Susie reports we currently have 974 registered swimmers.
 - c. We are expected to have just under \$64,000 in the bank by the end of 2021, not including the 1-hour postal revenue.
4. COMA Reimbursement- Robbert
 - a. The survey results were very positive from the COMA meet. According to the survey results, people would like to see more meets. Regarding the surveys, if we would like to include more questions, we can send them to Robbert to include in the survey for the next meet.
 - b. Robbert moves to reimburse COMA \$1500, \$500 base plus \$15 per swimmer at 70 swimmers. Joy seconds. During discussion, Bob reminded the OMS Board that the swim meet entrance fees have increased, and therefore the reimbursement has also increased. According to the January 2020 meeting minutes, we increased the reimbursement to \$20 per swimmer. Robbert amends the motion to \$1900 to include the increased reimbursement per swimmer rate. Joy seconds. Motion passes unanimously.
5. Swim Meets- Robbert
 - a. It is looking like the Association meet has a venue, but it is not official yet. If everything moves forward as planned, the dates will be April 9-10.
 - b. Bob is still planning a LCM meet the weekend before Memorial Day, but has not put in the bid yet.
 - c. There is still a possibility of having the Oregon City meet in March but it will not be a dual-sanctioned meet because of the restrictions from the Keep Young Athletes Safe Act of 2018.
6. Long-Distance Report- Bob
 - a. The Foster Lake cable swim is not possible for 2022. Bob is talking with the Army Corps of Engineers to install a new cable. It may not be until 2023 that a new cable could be installed because of the permitting requirements. There will be an event at Foster Lake in 2022, though likely not a cable swim.
 - b. There have been some changes to the 2022 one-hour postal swim. The postal swims will now be called “virtual swims”. When you go to the USMS website, the events page has a category called “USMS National Championships” which includes a category “Virtual Championships”. The window for swimming the event is going back to January only. You have to sign up for the event in advance in order to participate. Until December 15 there is a discount on the entry fee. USMS is awarding prizes to teams with the most participants.

7. Awards- Sara

- a. Nominations for awards are due January 31. Sara will do one or two e-blasts in January for nominations. There will also be a reminder in the next Aquamaster. Sara asks if we should continue with the awards that were given in the past (backpacks, mesh bags, embroidered towels).

8. Club Assistant Contract- Sandi

- a. The new contracts will increase fees quite a bit. They are increasing the fee for credit card processing, and have added a minimum requirement of 100 transactions per event. The new contract also forbids day of event cash payments. Gary has an email from Club Assistant with the Club Assistant Online Swim Meet Registration Service Agreement. Gary will send the contract to the OMS board. Tim will reach out to our contacts at USMS to discuss the new contract and the changes.

9. Volunteer Relay- Tim/Sandi

- a. USMS is proposing to have an in-person meeting March 4-6, 2022 in Denver. OMS is able to send 3 participants. The focus will be on club development. The recommendations are to send someone interesting in coaching, a new person who hasn't been as involved in the past, and someone who has participated in the past. Tim, Marlys, and Bob are interested. There is an in person convention scheduled for September.
- b. Tim is participating in a panel about successful LMSCs. If anyone would like to help by sharing what makes OMS such a success, share with Tim.

10. OMS Apparel Website- Tim/Travis

- a. Tim sent the board a PowerPoint presentation about the new site called Order My Gear, which could be an option for providing OMS branded apparel and gear. They are a local company. If we want to tour their warehouse and see the products in person, Tim can arrange a tour. Tim and Jeanna are going to plan a tour. Kristina expressed that due to a poor customer service experience at SwimOutlet.com, she supports looking at other options.

11. Adult Learn-to-Swim Instructor Clinic- Marlys

- a. Marlys is interested in hosting an ALTS instructor clinic locally. They have three instructors who are certified to teach in the Northwest. There are a number of requirements for pool and venue, and the number and spacing of students. Last year there were two courses, one in Minneapolis and one in Boston.
- b. Tim will post to Facebook to see if there is interest in the OMS community for new ALTS instructors.

12. OMS 50th Anniversary in 2022- Bob/Tim

- a. Jeanne Teisher has agreed to head the OMS 50th Anniversary Committee. Valerie Jenkins has also agreed to join the committee. Ginger will send to Jeanne the information from the 30th anniversary celebration.

13. Discussion with OMS Members

- a. Discussion centered around the problems mature swimmers may have finding swimwear that fits properly.

14. Good of the order

- a. Mt Hood has received a \$2.8 million grant for a new retractable roof.

15. Adjourn at 8:55