

Meeting Name: **MN Masters LMSC Board Meeting**

Date/Time of meeting: **Tuesday, July 21, 2020**

Location: Virtual (Zoom)

Meeting run by: David Bergquist

Minutes Recorded by: Hannah Cohen

**Motions:**

- 1) The Board approved the June 2020 meeting minutes.
- 2) The Board approved spending the budget to extend the coached practices for members at Hopkins North through the end of August.

Number of Attendees: 12

Executive Committee members present: David Bergquist, Hannah Cohen, Mark Kaplan, Julie Sabo, Beth Nymeyer, Gary Kovacs, Luke Paquin

Executive Committee members on conference call:

Board Members Present: Sue Mohn, Marc Anderson, Jennifer Mulheran, DeAnna Smith

Other Members: Dan Kornblatt

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**Minutes:**

- The meeting was called to order at 6:34 PM. The June meeting minutes were approved (Julie made the motion; Mark K. seconded it; the motion passed on a voice vote).
- **Secretary (Hannah)** – Went over the June/August agenda items (submit SCY times for Top Ten consideration, submit applications to be considered for USMS convention delegate, and choose convention delegates).
- **Updates from Carrie** (emailed before meeting; Carrie had a conflict)
  - **Convention:** There were lots of requests for additional delegates this year. For those that would like to "attend" convention but aren't voting delegates, there will be an opportunity to watch the convention online. We have 3 voting delegates, according to David B., plus those that have voting privileges due to other USMS volunteer positions. Committee meetings start on August 30 (the schedule has been published). All meetings are being planned in typical non-work hours. Virtual convention September 25-27. Let David B. know if you are interested.
  - **USMS Matching Grant Program:** Several LMSCs have submitted their plans to be approved by the panel. Needs to be fairly specific to be approved.
  - **Coaches Committee:** Have not heard anything further from any workout groups/clubs on issues. Have talked to a couple of coaches and encouraged them to apply for relief if they have experienced any financial hardship.
  - **ALTS peer to peer call on July 30 at 7 PM:** Panel discussion on restarting ALTS in this COVID-19 era. Should be a good one.

- **Swimming Saves Lives Foundation (SSLF) grants for 2021:** Application window is delayed - potential plan is to open the application window in January.
- **Treasurer (Julie/Dave K.)** – Julie emailed the financials. Not much to report. Paid for the Flying Finn meet. Please send Julie any expenses/deposits.
- **Membership Coordinator (Mark K.)** – 53 new registrants in the past two months (free 2021 membership might be incentive). Only 17 registrations behind last year.
- **David B. (Coached Practices for Members)** – Going well. Swimmers are happy to swim. As many as 6 at a time have taken part. Still in need of coaching help (\$45 to sit on deck; 7-8:20 PM; David will email out signup). Have had only 1 other coach sign up. Looking to continue into August. Mark K. made the motion to extend the program (budgeting the expense for coached practice). Someone else seconded it. All were in favor via a voice vote.
- **Other Updates –**
  - USMS advising against sanction until August 31.
  - Open water swims have been going well.
  - Anyone interested in chairing the Meet Committee? Randy is stepping down for now. Dan Kornblatt would be interested in being on the committee (but not running it).
  - Annual Minnesota Meeting in Oct./Nov. – Need to think outside the box about how to do it this year - maybe outside wearing masks, individual boxes for food, maybe meet with smaller groups (local swim team) and join virtual meeting. Will talk more in August. In the past, 80-90 attend.
  - Dan Kornblatt- We should have Minnesota Masters Swimming face masks.
- **DeAnna (Diversity & Inclusion Committee)** – No major updates. Have had some discussion. Want to know what would the board want to see?
  - Ideas to get the information out to improve diversity in Minnesota Masters (including within existing clubs).
  - Do organizations have any needs? We have pool time at Hopkins now so that's an opportunity (T/Th 6 or 6:30 -8:20 PM) to get adults swimming.
- **Jeremy B. (Website Update) –**
  - Jeremy couldn't make it tonight but is appreciative of the website feedback he has received.
- **Beth N. (Vice Chair/Fitness Committee)** – Beth and Gary want to do a “how many minutes can you swim” virtual swim in August. Could have random drawings for swag.
- **USMS Virtual Nationals** – Details [here](#) (August 12-23). Can see where your times fall and be in drawing for swag. We should promote and could provide open water or pool time for swimmers to participate.
- **Hall of Fame (Marc A.)** – Request for nominations is out for another week and a half. We have a few nominees. The Committee will discuss.
- **Records Committee (Marc A.)** – Marc tracks top 10 lists and the preliminary top 10 list has just come out (SCY). Individually, 89 swims made top 10 (even not counting one swim meet), made up of 47 swimmers. 10 are new swimmers (never been top 10 before). There were 6 All American (first in top 10 list) swimmers. 34 Minnesota relays made the top 10 list (comparable to past years); 4 of those were All American. Mark K. will publish the records.
- Next meeting – August 18 at 6:30 PM.
- The meeting was adjourned at 7:19 pm.