

Pacific Masters Monthly Meeting

April 16, 2014

Meeting was held by conference call

Call to Order and introductions: The meeting was called to order by Peter Guadagni, Chairman at 7:01 pm.

Attendees:

Peter Guadagni, Nancy Ridout, Michael Moore, Phyllis Quinn, Rich Burns, Barry Fasbender, Charlene O'Brien, Maggie Tevis, Leianne Crittenden, Teddy Palmer, John Morales, Jim Clemmons, John King, Laura Val, Caroline Lambert, Robert Anderson, Claire Rudd

CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS

I APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF March 19, 2014 (separate attachment)

Approved as amended.

II OFFICERS' REPORTS

CHAIRMAN - PETER GUADAGNI, report attached.

Remember Coach Appreciation Week.

Proposes a monthly meeting on a weekend day with a WCM practice before—July 12.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER – TEDDY PALMER, reports attached.

Peter noticed that the balances did not match up, this is due to the budget vs actual was as of the date of the report, and balance sheet went to end of the month of March. She will check on a discrepancy and will make new reports once she addresses the issue.

Reports accepted MSR, pending resubmitting the amended reports.

BUDGET:

OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

Zone Chair – MICHAEL MOORE Report attached.

Please participate on Sunday May 18 webinar on “Generational Issues and Trends in Volunteerism” engagement put on by LMSC Development Committee. A repeat performance will occur on a week night sometime in June 3.

Registration/Top Ten and Records -- CHARLENE O'BRIEN Report attached.

Rich Burns and Laura Val were awarded Swimmer of the Year, and Marcia Benjamin was selected as Coach of the Year.

Here are the Age Group Swimmers of the Year:

	<u>Female</u>	<u>Male</u>
18-24	Penelope Yamauchi, SRM	Michael Thomas, LAMV
25-29	Marie Ballenger, USF	Daniel Shiosaki, TOC
30-34	Naoko Watanabe, TOC	Matthew Roper, DAM
35-39	Katie Glenn, STAN	Holden Hardcastle, BAY
40-44	Cynthia Hertzner, CRUZ	Mark Fahlen, MAAC
45-49	Lisa Ward, WCM	Jeff Enright, SMM
50-54	Jill Hernandez, CHIC	Darren Phelan, STAN
55-59	Phyllis Quinn, TOC	John Morales, SRM
60-64	Laura Val, TAM	Jim Clemmons, MAM
65-69	Ruth Shaps, MAM	Hugh Wilder, SRM
70-74	Nancy Ridout, TAM	Richard Burns, TAM
75-79	Susan Munn, DAM	Barry Fasbender, STAN
80-84	Ann Hirsch, WCM	Ashley Jones, AAM

85-89
90-94

Dixie Germolus, WCM

August Motmans, AAM
Howard McKinley, TOC

Hospitality--MARCIA BENJAMIN No report

Vice Chairman Administration – JIM CLEMMONS No report.

Communications/Website—MICHAEL MOORE Report Attached.

Marketing/Public Relations—RICH BURNS No Report

Vice Chairman Operations—PHYLLIS QUINN No Report

Open Water —PHYLLIS QUINN Report attached.

The Manatee 2 x 1 will be cancelled because Del Valle will not have enough water. Per Jim Clemmons, they will do it next year, hope for rain!

Phyllis will ask Tri Valley what will happen to entry fees if their event is cancelled (it is fairly expensive)

Equipment—ROB HEATH No Report.

At Large—JOHN MORALES Reports attached.

Pacific Top Ten Times only cover results from Pacific sanctioned meets, and so they do not cover every meet swum by a swimmer. Addressed on the Forum, most opinions indicated that all swims should count. However, Nancy and Michael pointed out that this could be difficult and added work on compiling these times, and would require changing the Swimmer of the Year criteria. Phyllis thinks this could quickly become overwhelming. However, Rich noted that the USMS site has a way to show results for Pacific swimmers—may be worth checking in to this function.

Option 2, that all times should be included was MSR.

Scheduling—JOHN MORALES Report attached.

Cheat sheet is for meet directors and hosts. Nancy suggests taking out the dates since people may think it is outdated.

If anyone wants to do scheduling, please contact John or Peter.

Meet Operations—BARRY FASBENDER Report attached.

Rinconada meet has a pool that is not long enough for automatic timers so they use three buttons on each lane—this can create problems for record breaking or top ten swims.

He is working on the information sheet for long course championships. They are worried because of timing of short course nationals. At nationals, 1100 entries from Pacific and lots of west coast participants.

Officials—JOHN KING No Report Attached.

Coaches—STU AND MARY KAHN No Report attached.

III. OLD BUSINESS

None

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Michael proposes that the excess revenues from the City Mile go to fund the City College women's swim team. They did a great job putting on the meet. MSR

V. TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

VI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 8:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Leianne Crittenden, Secretary

NEXT MEETINGS:

2014 meetings: May 21, June 18cc, July 16, Aug. 20cc, Sept. 17 (tentative - at Convention), Oct. 15cc, Nov. 2/9/16 available for Annual Meeting.



April 16, 2014; 7:00 by conference call

AGENDA *Discussion Item

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| I. | CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS | 7:00pm |
| II. | APPROVAL OF March MEETING MINUTES (separate attachment) | 7:05pm |
| III. | REPORTS | |
| | CHAIRMAN—GUADAGNI, report attached | 7:10pm |
| | REPORT OF THE TREASURER--PALMER, reports attached | 7:20pm |
| | SECRETARY--CRITTENDEN, no report | |
| | ZONE CHAIR--MOORE, report attached | |
| | EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE | |
| | REGISTRATION--O'BRIEN, report attached | 7:30pm |
| | TOP TEN & RECORDS--O'BRIEN, report attached | |
| | HOSPITALITY—BENJAMIN, no report | 7:35pm |
| | VICE-CHAIRMAN ADMINISTRATION--CLEMMONS, no report | |
| | COMMUNICATIONS--MOORE/WEB SITE, report attached | |
| | MARKETING/PUBLIC RELATIONS – BURNS, no report | |
| | VICE-CHAIRMAN OPERATIONS--QUINN, no report | 7:40pm |
| | OPEN WATER--QUINN, report attached | |
| | EQUIPMENT--HEATH, no report | |
| | AT-LARGE--MORALES, reports attached* | 7:50pm |
| | SCHEDULING--MORALES, no report | |
| | MEET OPERATIONS--FASBENDER, report attached | |
| | OFFICIALS--KING, no report | |
| | COACHES--KAHN, no report | |
| IV. | OLD BUSINESS | 7:55pm |
| V. | NEW BUSINESS | 8:00pm |
| VI. | TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS | 8:01pm |
| VII. | ADJOURNMENT | 8:00pm |

2014 MEETING DATES: April 16 (cc); May 21; June 18 (cc); July 16; August 20 (cc); September 17; October 15 (cc); November 2 (Annual Meeting) TBD.

Working Calendar for April: Request & accept nominations for Convention Delegates; Brainstorm USMS Rules/Legislation changes;

Working Calendar for May: elect Delegates & reserve accommodations; review USMS Rules/Legislation changes & recommendations; Year-end Pac Master Financial report to USMS; Form CT-2 Calif. Periodic Report to Attorney General of Calif.; Form 990 FED, Form 199 CAL-return Exempt from Income Tax (by 5/15).

Working Calendar for June: SCY TT report due to USMS; Adopt and forward USMS Rules and Legislation proposals; Prepare Bid packet for next year's Events Calendar;

April MEETING REPORTS – 4/16/2014

Officer and Committee Reports

***Meeting policy.** Please provide text to Charlene, prior to the meeting, of any items on which you would like the Committee to vote. Re-established 1/18/2012.*

Chairman—Guadagni

Chairman's Report for April 2014

1. Thank you to Tri Valley Masters, Meet Director Doug Condon and Coach Mary Nygren for hosting the Pacific Masters SCY Championships. Much appreciation to the teams that stepped up to take responsibility for timing various lanes. Kudos to Rich Burns for coordinating the photographic recap of the event emailed to all members.
2. Coach Appreciation Week begins Sunday, May 4. Take time to let your coach know how much you appreciate his/her efforts and encourage your teammates to do the same.
3. We have considered experimenting with a weekend in-person Pacific Masters Committee meeting. I would like to get a sense from the Committee on moving the July meeting to a Saturday or Sunday (7/12, 7/13, 7/19, 7/20). The meeting would be preceded by a workout at the Heather Farms Pool.
4. Tito Morales has submitted a history of Pacific Masters. It is currently being checked for facts and proper spelling of names. We are also looking for appropriate photos of the people mentioned. Hopefully it will be distributed in the next 30 days. The Executive committee has approved an increase in compensation based on the article's length and quality.
5. An email has been sent to all 2013 Pacific Masters delegates to the USMS convention asking if they are interested in serving again in 2014. We have been allotted 23 delegates (just missed 24) plus there are another 8 to 12 of us who are automatic delegates based on our committee assignments or other USMS roles. Please let Charlene and I know if you would like to serve as a delegate.
6. This is a Rules year at the USMS convention meaning that Rules changes will be considered by the House of Delegates. Please send John King (Pacific's representative on the Rules Committee) and me suggestions for Rule changes you would like Pacific to submit. Suggestions will be discussed at the May meeting.
7. Michael Moore has notified me of his intent to resign as editor of the Update (Pacific's emailed newsletter). Pacific Masters will forever be indebted to Michael for his vision in creating the Update and publishing it for more than a decade.

Report of the Treasurer—Palmer, see attached.

Secretary—Crittenden, no report

Zone Chair—Moore,

The LMSC Development Committee is having a Peer to Peer conference call for Officials chairs on April 22 at 5:30PM PDT.

The Committee will also be sponsoring two webinars by JF Fixler Group on "Generational Issues and Trends in Volunteerism." The first one is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, May 18th at 5:00PM PDT. The second webinar will be in the first part of June on a weekday, but not yet scheduled.

Executive Committee

Registration—O'Brien

- As of April 11, 2014 Pacific has 9,334 Members Registered=4,889 Men; 4445 Women; 133 registered clubs; 1 Work-out group; 325 self-identified coaches.
- In mid-April 2013, Pacific had 8,729 Members Registered & 130 clubs.
- The total in 2013 Pacific had 11,259 Members Registered=5,828 Men; 5,431 Women; 133 registered clubs; 260 self-identified coaches.
- Paper registration invoices for Pacific Masters swimmers who have not renewed by this time of the year are being sent out in the coming weeks.

Top Ten & Records—O'Brien

- The SCY season has been completed with follow-up of Records and meet paperwork being compiled and sent into the office. Top Ten tabulation will soon begin and results sent to USMS by June 30.
- The Swimmer of the Year awards were given out at the PacMasters Championships in Pleasanton on March 29. Despite the deluge of rain during the award ceremony, Peter Guadagni and Chris Campbell did a nice job of speaking and awarding the recipients. Our Age Group Swimmer of the Year recipients received an embroidered towel, personalized cap and certificate. The overall female and male recipients, Laura Val & Rich Burns received gift certificates from Sports Basement. The Coach of the Year recipient, Marcia Benjamin, received a marble pen/plaque award for her desk. Congratulations all.

Hospitality—Benjamin—no report

Vice-Chairman Administration—Clemmons, no report **Communications—Moore/Web Site**

There has been one Update that has gone out this month and there will be another by the day of the meeting.

We have been averaging nearly 30% of the total number of people to whom the Update has been sent out. I will send out more of an analysis next month.

We had a problem sending out the last March 25 Update. Normally, when the "Send" button is pushed, the Update is sent out within five minutes, this was Tuesday evening. On Thursday morning, Jim Clemmons called to ask, "Where is the Update?" as the meet director of the USMS Nationals was concerned about the number of entries and this edition had not gone out.

I resent the email on Thursday morning. After waiting 30 minutes, the Update had not been sent. I called Constant Contact to find out if there was a problem. The person at the help desk said they were having a problem with one of their servers, but it should go out. At one hour I asked again, she did not see our file to be sent out and suggested that I resend. I resent the Update. I don't know what happened, but both were sent out, causing people to receive two copies.

The Website was heavily accessed during the Pacific Masters Championships. The average bandwidth used per day was over 300MB and the average number of hits per day was over 6,000.

Other:

I resigned as editor of the Update giving 60-day notice to Peter and the executive committee. My last day as editor will be 31 May.
It has been a fun run as editor over the past thirteen years and almost 600 editions of the Update. Thank you to all who have helped over that time. Thank you for putting up with me. It has been an honor working on the Update.

Marketing/Public Relations—Burns, no report

Vice-Chairman Operations—Quinn, no report

Open Water—Quinn,

A request from the Donner Lake Swim race director was discussed. At this time no increase in entry fees was approved since four of the races this year have already been sanctioned. An increase in the Open Water entry fee will be discussed at the end of this year for the 2015 season. It was suggested that the race may ask for a voluntary donation on their entry form. It was also discussed that the race may request matching funds, up to \$500 from Pacific Masters with proper documentation.

Equipment—Heath, no report

At-Large—Morales, separate attachment & as follows:

Pool Meet Committee

On our February conference call, I brought up the question of how Pacific Master's Top Ten Times were determined. After a healthy conversation, it was determined that the topic should be placed on the USMS Forum site for comment, and then voted on at a later date. Below are the two options offered on the Forum. The consensus of the Forum was in favor of Alternative 2.

Alternative 1.

The Pacific Masters Top 10 should be based on times achieved by a Pacific Masters member at a Pacific Masters sanctioned or recognized event. (This is the current criteria.)

Argument in favor of Alternative 1.

Our Top 10 should be based on top performances at locally sanctioned or recognized meets and should not be restricted to Pacific Masters members. This has always been the criteria and there is no reason to change it.

Alternative 2.

The Pacific Masters Top 10 should be based on times achieved by a Pacific Masters member at any event sanctioned or recognized by USMS or at the FINA World Championships.

Argument in favor of Alternative 2.

Our Top 10 should represent a ranking of our members' best performances. Swimmers competing at Nationals or Worlds will peak for that event and their locally achieved times are unlikely to represent their best performance.

Propose a vote be taken on the above Alternatives.

Scheduling—Morales, no report

Meet Operations—Fasbender,

Meet Results. Meet Results have been uploaded to the USMS website for the RINC meet and the PacMasters SCY Championships.

Net Income for Recent Meets. CALM had a net income of \$8,373.50 with 366 swimmers. RINC had an estimated net income of \$3,585 with 228 swimmers. Note that RINC paid \$1000 for timing system services and CALM provided this service themselves.

PacMasters SCY Championships. We had 783 swimmers this year. This was 24% more than last year. The meet was well run and our swimmers had some great swims. We did have a rough start on Friday with the 1650. Some timers were starting multiple watches to try and cover all the lanes. The host sent out an email on Friday requesting specific teams to cover specified lanes. Their Meet Information Sheet did state: **Timing:** Each team will be responsible for providing timers. Lanes will be assigned to each team as necessary.

However, TVM did not get prior approval from the PacMasters Committee. Our Meet Operation Handbook states: Timers may be solicited for Championship meets. The host club must have a timing plan approved by the PacMasters Committee prior to sanction. The approved timing plan must be stated on the meet sheet.

Officials—King, no report

Coaches—Stu and Mary Kahn, no report

Old Business

New Business

Team Announcements