



March 21, 2018; 7:30 pm in-person and by conference call

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AGENDA *Discussion Item

- I. **Call to Order & Introductions**
- II. **Approval of November annual meeting minutes (separate attachment)**
- III. **Reports**

Executive Committee

Chair—John King, report

Treasurer—Laura Shope, report attached

Secretary—Leianne Crittenden, report attached

Office Administrator—Chris Ottati, report

Schedule—Steve Cutting, no report

Hospitality—Marcia Benjamin, no report

Pool Meet Committee—John Morales, report

Meet Operations—Peter Guadagni, no report

Officials—Mike Abegg, no report

Open Water Committee—Phyllis Quinn, report

Communications and Technology—Bob Anderson, report

Update—Chris Ottati, report

Website—Caroline Lambert, no report

Clubs and Coaches—Stu and Mary Kahn, report

Ad Hoc Committees— Nancy Ridout, report

— Sally Guthrie, report

Old Business— Karen Harris, report

New Business— no report

Club news—no report

2018 MEETING DATES: all dates are tentative: April 18(cc), May 16, June 20(cc), July 18, August 15(cc), September 26-30(convention), October 17(cc), November annual meeting – not set

Working Calendar for March: Forward PacMasters Ransom Arthur Award nomination to USMS March 15; distribute Convention Delegate information;

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

Working Calendar for May: Elect/Register Convention Delegates and reserve accommodations; review USMS Rules/Legislation; Year-end PacMaster financial report to USMS; Form CT-2 Calif. Periodic Report; Form 990 FED; Form 199 Cal

February meeting reports – 03/21/2018

Officer and Committee Reports

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

Executive Committee

Chair—John King, report

This month we work to recognize and celebrate the outstanding achievements of Pacific Masters swimmers as well as our coaches who work daily to mentor and inspire both competitive and fitness swimmers. Committee members have been hard at work tabulating results for the Age group Swimmer of the Year as well as the overall swimmers of the year with the Laura Val swimmers of the year award. Additionally, we have received nominations for Coach of the year which have been carefully reviewed by our Clubs and Coaches committee, their selection will be brought forward at the March meeting. Awards will be presented at the Short Course Yards championship meet.

Our pool meets are in full swing and we have already had a number of well attended meets. We are looking forward to the coming open water events which have always been well organized and attended.

As we prepare for the fast approaching annual convention we will now start to formalize the list of delegates who will represent Pacific Masters Swimming in Jacksonville. We encourage new delegates to come forward to join the group of convention veterans.

Treasurer—Laura Shope, financial reports attached;

Secretary—Leianne Crittenden, report attached

Office Administrator—Chris Ottati, report

Registration: 8767 members; 139 clubs; 416 self-identified coaches have registered for Pacific Masters as of 03/18/18. In 2017, we had 9,160 members; 151 clubs; 422 self-identified coaches.

Top Ten: Nothing new to report.

Records: We continue to work on the new Pacific Masters Records project.

Swim Events: Pool: Awaiting sanction bond deposit for the CALM March meet. This organization faces some challenges in working with the University.

85+: On February 23, I identified 5 more 85+ year old members eligible for scholarship. I reimbursed 4 of those, with the remaining person letting me know we could keep the money. I will check again at the end of March and quarterly thereafter.

USMS Peer to Peer calls: See Sally's report in Ad Hoc committees.

New online Consolidated Entry Card and Relay entry cards: I have updated the waiver on the consolidated entry card. Gordon Bell developed an online relay entry card that can be filled in and printed or just printed. All of these have been uploaded to our website.

Schedule—Steve Cutting, no report

Hospitality—Marcia Benjamin, no report

Pool Meet Committee—John Morales, report

John King has reserved the Soda Pool at Campolindo HS on July 13, 14, and 15 for LCM Champs. Friday pool time is limited, therefore we are investigating other possible options for Friday.

SOTY winners have been tallied on the SOTY website link. Awards will be a frameable certificate for all winners, and gift cards for 1st thru 3rd(\$100, \$50,and \$25) The Laura Val SOTY award will be determined by committee. The winners will receive \$200 each, and a frameable certificate.

Meet Operations—Peter Guadagni, no report

Officials—Mike Abegg, no report

Open Water Committee—Phyllis Quinn, report

Lake Del Valle has received a sanction for the events on June 9-10. Registration will open soon.

Lake Berryessa has applied for a sanction and is awaiting final approval for the event on June 2. Registration opens April 1.

The referee training required for open water events is still waiting final approval by the National Office. Event Directors will be notified when this is available.

Spring Lake will submit the sanction application soon.

Communications and Technology—Bob Anderson, report

Pacific Masters records automation project status: since January's report, the main storage of both individual and relay records has been moved from a HyTek database to our own servers. Exports of current records before meets now is generated from our servers. The automated identification of candidate individual record swims has been tested extensively. The next step is for that automation to directly add "unverified" records to the database. Chris Ottati would then "verify" or "nullify" these new entries. Unverified records have a double asterisk on our records display.

Update—Chris Ottati, report

Since our February agenda was published two e-newsletters have been sent; February 19, and March 5. The newsletter was received by approximately 24,000 swimming enthusiasts at an open rate averaging 27%. Our Editors for the first Update was Carol Nip/Jeremy Cohen and our Editors for the second was Carol Peg Flynn/Linda Hepworth. Peg Flynn/Linda Hepworth will edit the March 19 Update and Linda Shoenberger will edit the April 2 UPDATE. The Update is supervised by Bob Anderson, VP Communications and Technology.

Website—Caroline Lambert, no report

Clubs and Coaches—Stu and Mary Kahn, report

1) LMSC Communication Connection Review. The first step in distributing relevant and timely information to clubs and coaches in the LMSC is to update the 2018 Club Contact and Coaches database. Working with Chris Ottati, a Survey Monkey questionnaire was created and distributed to the 135+ clubs listed in the most recent LMSC listserv. The two-fold purpose was to solicit correct club contact information as well as current coaching staff lists for each club. In addition to the direct survey appeal to existing club contacts, two other notices to respond were included the most recent Monday Updates. At this time only 60 clubs have responded with their updated contact information.

To increase that number, we will use the CALM (3/25) and Champs (4/6-8) to canvas individual swimmers from those disconnected clubs to provide more precise contact info. After those meets, we'll finish our outreach by calling individual swimmers from the missing clubs. At the April LMSC meeting we expect to report a much higher and much more satisfactory response rate so that we can confidently begin our information distribution program.

2) 2018 LMSC Coach of the Year Award. The COTY subcommittee received and reviewed nomination packets for four nominees. Two of the packets met the nomination criteria and both individuals were equally deserving of consideration and selection. An online vote took place and the results were unanimous. The name of the award nominee will be submitted for BoD approval in a verbal announcement during the Wednesday 3/21 evening meeting.

Ad Hoc Committees—

Nancy Ridout, Annual Celebration, report

Our committee met on Monday, March 12th, to get started on this year's Annual Celebration and Meeting. All members (Nancy Ridout, Teddy Palmer, Peter Guadagni, Chris Ottati, Rich Burns, Maggie Tevis, and Annette Coholan) were present. We discussed date, location, and speakers.

November 11th is our preferred date and November 4th is the backup date. Specifications of our facility needs will be drawn up by Teddy and Chris and used to bring to the committee the best choices of venues they visit. We decided that a college environment would be most likely to offer what we need and Teddy and Chris will visit Chabot, DVC, St. Mary's and San Mateo. If anyone has additional

suggestions please contact Nancy. We are looking for a 50m pool, lunch room, and room for educational talk with video capability.

We have developed a list of possible speakers and will be contacting them within the next month. Our next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 23rd.

Sally Guthrie, Oceana Zone Chair

As Oceana Zone Chair I am also a member of the USMS LMSC Development Committee. In February the LMSC Chair and Treasurer surveys were sent out. Pacific submitted theirs, as did Hawaii. Results are being tabulated and in the coming months LMSC Development will get back to the LMSCs with their 'scores'. If you have any questions about the process, please ask. Also, in the coming weeks several peer to peer teleconferences will take place: Thursday, March 22, Fitness Chair - Winter Fitness Challenge; Wednesday, April 11th, Top Ten and Records. Usually the meetings take place at 5:30 PM. While the focus is on those who are involved in those specific topic areas, I think any interested party could be part of the call. Ask either Michael Moore or myself if you would like more information.

Old Business— Karen Harris, report

Karen's final Bridge to Masters report is attached.

New Business— no report

Club news—no report