Delegate email message #2

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Subject: Convention Update - HOD Agenda and 2016 Proposed Budget are posted!

Greetings Delegates and Attendees!

The U.S. Masters Swimming Budget Process, 2016 Proposed Budget and House of Delegates meeting agenda have been posted on the USMS Convention page http://www.usms.org/admin/conv/2015/

This completes all of the documents which make up the Pre-Convention Packet. Please note that a few of the documents have been updated (new posting date in red) since the last message sent to you. The "Complete Pre-Convention Packet" link will be active on the convention page by Friday 9/25 and you will be able to download or print out the complete packet all at once. It is recommended that <u>everyone</u> read the Welcome Letter and Survival Guide as well as all of the information in the pre-convention packet before arrival.

USMS is **GREEN**. We ask that you either upload the pre-convention files to your lap top (that you will be bringing with you), print yourself or have printed at a local copy shop. The distribution of printed meeting minutes and the infamous accordion files are being phased out. USMS is paying for wireless Internet in all meeting rooms including the House of Delegates. Meeting minutes will be uploaded immediately following each meeting and will be accessible from the convention page of the USMS website. A limited number of copies will be printed and be available if you do not have an electronic device from which to view or download documents. Please contact me at usms@usms.org by Friday September 25th if you will require printed meeting minutes.

Remembrance List -

Please review the Remembrance list (posted on the Convention page) of USMS members who have passed away since the 2014 convention. This list will be read during one of the House of Delegates sessions. If you know someone who should be added to this list, submit their name to Anna Lea (annalea@usms.org) no later than **September 25th**.

Dryland Workouts -

Are you interested in leading a morning dry land workout at convention? If so, please contact Scott Bay, Chair of the USMS Coaches Committee – coaches@usms.org

Chance for a FREE lunch -

Please join Bill Brenner and the education department for an informational meeting at convention to learn how to get more access to aquatics. Saturday from 11:30 - 12:00 pm

following the staff speed dating session. 20 attendees will receive a \$10 gift card for lunch at the Marriott.



Are you a Swimming Saves Lives Foundation Donor?
Any House of Delegate member who contributed to the Swimming Saves Lives Foundation during the 2015 registration year will receive an acknowledgement button at convention registration. Contributions can be made online at www.usms.org/giving

Post Convention -

The **2016 Committee Request Form** will be available via Survey Monkey – https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/2016CommitteeRequest and will go live on Tuesday September 29th. **Completing this survey is** required if you are interested in being on a committee in 2016.

The **Convention** and **LMSC Workshop evaluations** via Survey Monkey will be posted Saturday, October 3rd. The links can be found on the Convention page under Post-Convention. During convention, we suggest you take notes of the meetings you attend and refer to them when completing the surveys.

If you have any questions, please contact me at usms@usms.org

See you in Kansas City and don't forget your water bottle, extension cord and/or power strip!!!

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