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| Committee Name: | Coaches | Session #: | Report #: |
| Committee Chair: | Scott Bay | Vice Chair: | Cokie Lepinski |
| Minutes recorded by: | Bob Jennings | Date/time of meeting: | December 10, 2014 |

Motions Passed:

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| Number of committee members present: 12 | Absent: 6 | Number of other delegates present: |
| <p>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Chair: Scott Bay (Dixie), Ex E.C. Jody Smith, Ken Brisbin (Southwest), Chris Campbell (Oceana), Dave Clark (Great Lakes), Heather Howland (Great Lakes), Laurie Hug (Colonies), Bob Jennings (Dixie), Katherine Longwell (Allegheny), Erin Matthews (Colonies), Helen Naylor (Dixie), Jillian Wilkins (Dixie)</p> <p>Not present: Vice Chair: Cokie Lepinski (Oceana), Officio: Bill Brenner, Assoc: Jim Miller, Assoc: C J Rushman, Matthew Edde (Northwest), Kerry O'Brien (Oceana), Dustin Poe (South Central),</p> | | |

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:03 p.m. eastern

1. Committee Assignments – Scott Bay – There were no corrections to the list of current committees. The leads for each committee are: International Coaches – Heather Howland, Nationals – Erin Matthews, Web Workouts – Erin Matthews, Communication – Ken Brisbin, USMS Certification – Scott Bay, Awards – Heather Howland, High Performance – Cokie Lepinski, Open Water – Laurie Hug, and Publications – Cokie Lepinski
2. USMS National Coaching Clinic – Helen Naylor – The National Coaching Clinic will be in Nashville, Tennessee from June 5-7. The host hotel will be Homewood Suites. It is walking distance from the pool facility. Most of the clinic programming is already set up.
3. ASAC World Clinic 2015 – Scott Bay - The clinic will be held September 7 to 13 in Cleveland, Ohio. There will be dedicated Masters programs/discussions each day. Levels 1 and 2 Coaching Certification will be taught during the clinic.
4. International Coaching – Heather Howland – There are two big international masters meets in 2015; Pan Am Games in Columbia, South America, June 17 to 27 and World's in Russia, August 5-16. World's are the same time as USMS Long Course Nationals. There was a discussion of how to select a coach and their duties. Jody Smith said that coaching at either meet would be an outstanding professional experience. The coaches' first responsibility should be coaching USMS swimmers at the meet. Second should be acting as an ombudsman. The number of coaches will depend on the number of USMS entries. We are budgeted for one meet. The coaches' applications will need to be sent out well in advance of the meets. There was a suggestion from Katherine Longwell to use Survey Monkey to find out the interest levels in the two meets. The International Coaches subcommittee will consider all recommendations and develop a plan. Politics will not be involved in any decisions made.
5. **Subcommittee and Task Force Reports**

Awards – Heather Howland – The committee is just getting started and is working on a formal selection procedure for the 2015 awards. Coaching Awards will be due July 1.

Certification – Scott Bay – The Level 4 application launch date is December 15. Dates for Level 1, 2, and 3 Certification classes are on the USMS website

[Championship](#) – Jillian Wilkins – Currently working on updating contracts.

[Fitness](#) – No Report

[High Performance](#) – No Report

[International Coaching](#) – See #4

[LMSC Communications](#) – Ken Brisin - Ken will communicate with the LMSC Chairs and their Coaches' Chair about the Pan Am Games and World's. Minutes from our meetings will also be sent out to LMSC Coaches' Chairs.

[Nationals](#) – Erin Matthews – Erin will coordinate On-Deck coaching at Spring National in Texas. She will use Sign Up Genius.

[Triathlon / Open Water](#) – No Report

[Sports Medicine and Science](#) – No Report

[Publications](#) – No Report

[Web Workouts](#) – Erin Matthews – We are looking for one more person to write workouts for the New Moms and Limited Ability Swimmers category. This is a paid position. Scott Bay explained the evolution of this category. Katherine Longwell was asked to check into if anyone from the Sports Medicine Committee might be interested. Some of the feedback Scott has received from coaches is that they do not have the background for this.

6. **Old Business** - None

7. **New Business** – None

The meeting was adjourned at 8:54 pm eastern
