

Committee Name:	Coaches	Session #:	Report #:
Committee Chair:	Scott Bay	Vice Chair:	Cokie Lepinski
Minutes recorded by:	Bob Jennings	Date/time of meeting:	April 8, 2015

Motions Passed:

Number of committee members present: 13	Absent: 5	Number of other delegates present:
<p>Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): Chair: Scott Bay (Dixie), Vice Chair: Cokie Lepinski (Oceana), Ex-Officio: Bill Brenner, Assoc: Jim Miller, Ex E.C. Jody Smith, Ken Brisbin (Southwest), Dave Clark (Great Lakes), Heather Howland (Great Lakes), Bob Jennings (Dixie), Katherine Longwell (Great Lakes), Erin Matthews (Colonies), Helen Naylor (Dixie), Jillian Wilkins (Dixie)</p> <p>Not present Chris Campbell (Oceana), Matthew Edde (Northwest), Laurie Hug (Colonies), Kerry O'Brien (Oceana), Dustin Poe (South Central)</p>		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 8:01 p.m. eastern

1. USMS National Coaching Clinic (June 5 to 7 in Nashville, Tennessee) – Helen Naylor – Registration is up and running. The food for the reception is still being worked on but everything else is in place. The clinic was advertised in Streamlines and an email was sent to all Level 3 coaches describing the clinic. Clinic flyers will be available at the meet for interested individuals.
2. Spring Nationals – Erin Matthews – All the coaching spots for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday are full. There is one spot left on Thursday. Scott Bay will be there Thursday morning to help if necessary. The coaches' shirts are ready. The new group of Level 4 coaches will be announced after the Capt. Ransom J. Arthur M.D. Award is given. Jillian Wilkins told the committee that food and drink will not be allowed on the pool deck.
3. **Subcommittee and Task Force Reports**

Awards – Heather Howland – The deadline for awards handed out at convention is July 1. Committee members are encouraged to go to their LMSC and encourage nominations as well as talk up the awards at Spring Nationals.

Certification – Bill Brenner – The certification classes are moving along as scheduled with two classes a month. There are a wide variety of people participating in the certification classes. The end of the year is heavy with Level 3 classes. Cokie Lepinski, Bill Brenner and Scott Bay are working on changes for the Level 3 classes. The Adult Learn to Swim program will have a table and will provide information at Spring Nationals.

Championship – N

Fitness – Bob Jennings – Committee members are encouraged to go to their LMSC and encourage nominations for the Fitness Award.

[High Performance](#) – No report

[International Coaching](#) – Scott Bay – The coaching application process will close April 15 and the coaches will be announced at Spring Nationals. One applicant is from Columbia. The registration process for the Pan Am Games closes the first week of May. Individuals swimming in a relay must pay one fourth of the relay fee when they enter the meet. The registration application for the meet has been described as “not user friendly” with its multiple steps. Dr. Jim Miller has been working with representatives from the meet and asks individuals to write down their problems and send the to him. Dr. Jim Miller and Scott Bay will talk after the meeting about handling the problems.

[LMSC Communications](#) – Ken Brisbin – Everything is moving along fine.

[Nationals](#) – See #2

[Open Water](#) – Helen Naylor – The committee is working on ways to reach out to triathletes and recognize their needs. They are interested in ways to involve pool swimmers in open water events. The committee would like an Open Water component in Levels 2 or 3 of the Coaching certification. There was a discussion of liability issues. Dr. Jim Miller said when discussing Open Water Event insurance we need to be careful because of the many components involved.

[Sports Medicine and Science](#) – See Open Water

[Publications](#) – Cokie Lepinski – There has been a trickle of articles submitted this month. Scott Bay asked coaches to submit any thoughts or successful coaching ideas/techniques worth sharing.

[Web Workouts](#) – N

4. **Old Business** - None
5. **New Business** – Scott Bay – Committee members please read through the minutes and think about what was said. If you have any additional thought on any subject discussed please email them to Scott.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:44pm eastern
