

USMS Convention — Jacksonville, Florida. 2011

Committee Name:	Great Lakes	Session #:	Report #:
Committee Chair:	Daniel Cox	Vice Chair:	
Minutes recorded by:		Date/time of meeting:	0/17/2011

Actions Requiring Approval by the HOD: N/A

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Motions Passed:

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Number of committee members present: na	Absent: na	Number of other delegates present:
Committee members present (list all, including chair and vice chair): na		

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m.

- Awards: Nadine Day elected as President, Staff Award: Ralph Davis, Coaches: Eric Peterson (Lake Erie), Tom Metzger, Crescent Hill, Kentucky, Dot Donnelly: John Bauman (Wisc), Jan Goff (Ky and she's an official) and Daniel Cox (O*H*I*O)Team: Michigan Ralph and CJ re-elected and we have 3 of 7 National officers - YAY
- Glows – open water, N. England imitating us. Gave away prize via USMS acting as treasury. Rem. Funds went to website for renewal. Dave O. paid for it himself and Dan said to submit for reimbursement. Review of GLOWS with Tom Spence as spreadsheet guy. John C. from Illinois and thanked Tom. In 2010, top three overall with mixed sex and for 2011 plan to make it top three for each sex. 8 Lmsc's and each submits their designated event. Ohio only one w/out event this yr. Championship or non championship and wetsuit or non was counted for participant. and also scored perform. Same as USMS (I think). Ranged from ½ to 25K in distance. 2012 has not been set yet and no invitations yet sent out. Awards for 2010 sent out. 2011 award winners announced as well as their LMSC. Still need results from Wisconsin for wetsuit. Susan Ehringer wondering if we are using evaluations to see who is going and how to get better participation. Skip noted that they had several people outside of our zone that participated. Dan wants the chairs to give him their events for the event of the month.
- Financing – flat fee of \$50 or a 10 cent per swimmer fee. Would be easier for the larger LMSC to kick in the larger amt. Allegheny up to 339 . Dan read the figures done by percentage and the check would go to Tracy. Money is for GLOWS and website and any OTHER ideas..
- Susan motion to: LMSC to contribute a flat fee of \$50 for the Great Lake zone seconded by Meg. Amend to make it recurring. VOTE: Motion was defeated. Meg moved to go to .10 cent per swimmer per year from each GLZ LMSC and Susan E. seconded with an amendment to make it a recurring annual fee using the prior years LMSC registered swimmers numbers. VOTE: Motion Passed. Barb D. from Illinois and asked about one event swimmers and can be part of the evaluation. Motion passes. Barb Delanois motion to require LMSC to include in the sanctioning that one event swimmers must pay the fee and it was seconded. VOTE: Motion Failed
- Reports – Allegheny – 339 is correct. In 2009 Voted to do away with one events at everything including open water, swim meets, clinics, and recognized events, and have more than doubled the membership since. Allegheny continues to grow by offering clinics, open water events, swim meets, and recognized events.
- Indiana – Jim Barber Indiana at around 1100 and got new safety director Bill Roach Nastis hosted 25 K and two other open water but had to cancel one due to hot water. Indy Aquatic Masters hosting 2013 scy nationals. And Nastis hosting 2012 5K Nationals. Reformatting Fall Classic to one day and online now. Two new teams: Zionsville Masters and Team GO at the Monon Center. Used money for one and t½two level coaching and three, four level coaching for two coaches. Had an open water clinic hosted by Nastis. Two swimmers were 1st and 3rd at Big Shoulders and world record Straits of Gibraltar was Jim Barber.

7. Illinois – Heather H. Chair new awards chair and new Webmaster, Michael McDonald, new delegate. ILMSA current 2011 membership is 2042 members as of September 17, was 2244 members in 2010. This is 202 less ILMSA members in 2011 compared to 2010. However, Phil Dodson said that this is due to about 185 swimmers signed up for the 2010 Big Shoulders open water event, which is held after September 1. These entries are Late-Year USMS memberships being essentially used as One-Event Registrations repeatedly. When accounting for this practice, ILMSA's current 2011 full-year membership is on par with ILMSA's 2010 full-year membership total. 12 meets and one clinic, 2 open water events. Getting started on 2012 events. Also active in Swimming Saves Lives. Plan to have a Coaches Clinic like Swim fest.
8. Kentucky – Meg Smath, Chair, said highest membership ever. Had to cancel Swim Louisville meet since so many were swimming in the 25K in Noblesville. Moved the Lakeside meet the Tuesday before the Sat/Sun meet which required great efforts by their leadership. All of the KY LMSC membership (waived sanction fee) and swimmers in the meet were very grateful. 2nd in regional at LCN. Have not set state meet but it will be either beg/end of March. SCM meet set for 11/20/11 (UOL).
9. Lake Erie –Used to be 1 club but now 8 clubs. 2 world records set at their LCN by swimmers on two relays (Illinois).
10. Michigan – Huge incr. in membership of 25% from last yr. Still giving a 1000 dollar college education scholarship. 14 swim meets last yr and 13 swim meets this yr. And state meet had 346 swimmers out of 834 registered at the state meet. 8th in both summer and spring nationals. Swimmer: Larry Day broke national and world records. One swam English Channel and first woman from Michigan to do so. Kevin Doak qualified for the 2012 Olympic Trials. Three new delegates at convention.
11. Ohio – Hosted 9 events and the membership is slightly up. They want to capitalize on the USA triathlons that are being hosted in the Columbus area because it should be a great opportunity for recruitment.
12. Wisconsin – new chair is Jeannie Seidler and the membership is up to 549 (up by 28%). Hosted two open water national championships. They were 5th at scy Nationals and one swimmer has qualified for the Olympic Trials.
13. Jennie Quill (spelling) nominated and Meg Smath seconded to nominate Dan Cox as the Great Lakes Zone Chair and by acclamation was affirmed.

Dan talked about trying to stop grievances at the local level before they reach the National level. Dan plans to give us tools.

Mel spoke from the National Office that it is imperative to get your clubs registered by Oct. 1st so that registration renewals are not lost when the club does not appear as of 11/1. He suggested using LMSC money to send coaches for certification and suggested at least two per year. He is asking for hosts for coaches' clinics and spoke of requirements (20-24 attendees) plus a facility. Right now have level one and two certification and going for level three.

Doug Church thanked for wearing SSL shirts and said there will be a presentation at the HOD. Asked for pledges from LMSCs that he would announce at the HOD. Commended Jeff Moxie for his vision to change the foundation from passive to actively trying to raise 10 million. They are tripling advertising in trying to reach the goal. They also want to capture honorariums and memorials.

Motion to adjourn was rec'd with acclamation at 12:00.

The meeting was adjourned at
