

Meeting Name: **MN Masters LMSC Board Meeting**

Date/Time of meeting: **Friday, November 13, 2020**

Location: Virtual (Zoom)

Meeting run by: David Bergquist

Minutes Recorded by: Hannah Cohen

**Motions:**

- 1) The Board approved the October 2020 meeting minutes.
- 2) Executive board members were elected for 2021 (two-year terms):
  - Treasurer – Duane Jacobson
  - At-Large – Katy Vandam
  - Secretary – Gary Kovacs

They will join the existing board members below to make up the 2021 Executive Board:

- Chair – David Bergquist
- Vice-Chair – Beth Nymeyer
- Membership Coordinator – Mark Kaplan
- At-Large – Luke Paquin

Number of Attendees: 71

Executive Committee members present: David Bergquist, Hannah Cohen, Mark Kaplan, Beth Nymeyer, Gary Kovacs, Luke Paquin, Julie Sabo, Dave Kough

Board Members Present: Marc Anderson, Carrie Stolar, Susan Mohn, Tom Moore, Landon Ascherman

Other Members: Many more...

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**Minutes:**

- People enjoyed chatting and seeing each other. The Zoom call allowed for non-local members/Hall of Fame alumni to join us.
- The meeting was called to order around 6:40 PM. The October meeting minutes were approved (Mark Kaplan made the motion; Landon seconded it; the motion passed on a voice vote).
- The executive board members introduced themselves.
- David reminded everyone that there is COVID-19 grant money (including USMS matching funds) available to clubs if needed.
- Everyone on the call will get a face mask!
- **Membership Coordinator (Mark Kaplan)** – We are doing pretty well given the COVID-19 situation. A few clubs/workout groups have not renewed membership for 2021 yet. 226 members are registered for 2021.

- **USMS Board Updates (Carrie Stolar)** – The next USMS Board Meeting is on Monday 11/16/2020. Their major task will be approving the budget and managing the evolving COVID-19 situation.
- **Fitness (Beth Nymeyer)** – Before the pandemic, Beth organized yoga for swimmers. She might do that again virtually. There was a virtual swim in October with over 50 swimmers (Count Your Minutes Challenge). There will be some gift card drawing winners during the meeting!
- **Elections (Landon Ascheman)** – Minnesota Masters members voted via a Zoom poll for the following open positions. Each candidate was able to introduce themselves.
  - Treasurer (2-year term)
    - Jackie Dutton Strebe
    - **Duane Jacobson** was elected.
  - At Large (2-year term)
    - Tom Hodgson
    - **Katy Vandam** was elected in a run-off vote with Tom Hodgson.
    - Gary Kovacs
    - Gerald (Gerry) Vandam
  - Secretary (2-year term)
    - Hannah Cohen
    - **Gary Kovacs** was elected.
- **Volunteer Recognition**
  - Tom Hodgson and Marc Anderson were recognized for coaching the practices for Minnesota Masters members.
  - Mark Kaplan was recognized for his great work setting up the new website.
  - David recognized other members for their roles on MN Masters Committees and the National Committees/Board (see [banquet program](#)).
- **Hall of Fame (Marc Anderson)**
  - Tom Moore introduced Krisie Melsen and presented her with her honorary jacket and plaque.
  - Brian Holthus introduced Katy Vandam. She will receive her honorary jacket and plaque at an upcoming swim meet.
  - The Hall of Fame induction stories will be posted [here](#) on the new website.
- **Raffle Drawing (Beth Nymeyer)**
  - Jim Stewart won \$20 to Target.
  - Michelle McD won \$20 to Starbucks.
  - Katy Vandam won \$20 to Starbucks.
  - Ken Fischer won \$20 to Target.
  - Krisie Melsen won \$20 to Target.
  - Carrie Stolar won \$20 to Elsmore.
  - Robert King won \$20 to Starbucks.
  - Nicki Philips won \$20 to Target.

- The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 pm but the Zoom call was left open for people to chat.