

<b>NCLMSC Annual Meeting</b>				<b>Report #: 1</b>	
<b>Board Chair:</b>	Trey Taylor	<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Celia Wolff		
<b>Minutes recorded by:</b>	Celia Wolf	<b>Date/time of meeting:</b>	March 2, 2024 12pm		

<b>Number of board members present: 9</b>	<b>Absent: 2</b>	<b>LMSC members: 5</b>
Trey Taylor (Chair), Celia Wolff (Vice-Chair/Coaches), Scott Dallamura (Fitness), Whitney Hauser (Webmaster), Son Nguyen (Treasurer), Thornton Burnett (Open Water), Sara Dunn (Top Ten/Records), Bill Luse. (Officials). Absent: Kristen Smith, Joanne Wainwright (Secretary, Sanctions, Membership). NCMS members present: Kelly Burnett, Domingo Rose, Robertus van Der Wege, Joy Dempsey, Craig West, Carol Ann Redfield.		

**Motions:**

To accept the minutes from the November 14, 2023 meeting.  
 To pay associated costs towards four coaches to attend the NCC.

The meeting came to order at 12:04 p.m.

Celia moved to accept the minutes from the Nov 14, 2023 meeting. 2nd: Thornton - MSA

**Treasurer's Report**

- Son Nguyen reported a healthy organization.
- Son has invested funds into short-term CD's and money market accounts which netted over \$2000 last month.
- NCMS was required to register as a non-profit business (separately from USMS) due to the new USMS policy in 2023. The paperwork was filed and we are now in compliance.
- Members' donations to NCMS will now be tax-deductible.

**Membership Report**

- Report given by Trey Taylor (via email from Joanne Wainwright).
- USMS members are at 42,592, down from 2023
- NCMS has 1286 members, (652 men, 634 women), up 30 from April 2023 (still down for 2024)
- NCMS has 14 clubs, 33 workout groups, 28 self-identifying coaches

**Old Business**

- **Awards:**
  - Discussion moved to the next meeting.
- **Support for Meets:**
  - \$1000 to meets with 100+ swimmers to assist with the cost of running the meet.
  - \$5/swimmer to support a meet social.
- **Support for Coaches:**
  - Scholarships for coaching certification courses.
  - Coaches Chair offers outreach to NCMS coaches with updates and information.
  - May 5-6 in Wilmington, NC Level 2 and 3 certification and Clinic Course for Coaches.
  - Financial support for clubs through USMS and NCMS grants.

- **-Support for Officials:**
  - Thornton Burnett encouraged swimming members to become officials.
  - It is a free and simple process with online tests through USA Swimming.
  - There was a discussion about former USAS officials not wanting to get re-certified and USAS officials prioritizing USA meets over USMS meets.
- **Integration of New Logo:**
  - Positive response with the new logo.
  - Celia getting pricing for NCMS swim caps.
  - Trey suggested having NCMS caps available at the 2025 State Meet for all swimmers and caps for National team members.
- **Online Storefront:**
  - Elise had been working to set up an online store with Swim Outlet. We need someone to transition those responsibilities to a new board member.

### **New Business:**

- **National Coaches Clinic (NCC) and Relay:**
  - USMS is sponsoring the NCC in Houston, October 18-20. It is held in conjunction with the Relay event.
  - Coaches may dual track the events.
  - Relay attendees may ONLY attend Relay events.
  - NCC will have nationally recognized speakers and an in-water coaching session.
  - NCMS will offer board members slots to attend Relay.
  - The theme the Relay is Developing Culture for your Club.
  - USMS will determine the number of slots allowed for board members to attend The Relay.
  - NCMS will pay airfare and 1/2 hotel room. USMS pays 1/2 hotel room and food.
  - Celia moved to have NCMS to pay the costs for four coaches. Thornton-2nd MSA
- **Board Vacancies:**
  - Trey will send out information regarding the two board vacancies; Kristen Smith (at-large member), Elise Shank (at-large member, Communications Chair).
  - Craig West is interested in serving on the Board.
  - Notify someone on the board if you are interested by the end of July.
  - Elise wrote the last newsletter and needs to be sent out to the membership.
- **Bids for 2025 Southern Zone Championships:**
  - Meets available for bids: LCM, SCM, SCY, Open Water.
  - The benefit of hosting a Zone Championship is it will draw more swimmers to your event.
- **Questions from member attendees:**
  - Joy Dempsey asked if there were any type of volunteer opportunities available to assist with the Olympic Swimmers coming to Cary for their team training. Specifically, masters swimming representation. Trey will check into it.
  - Also asked if it is common for there to be non-affiliated coaches who are coaching workout groups/ clubs.
  - Asked if it is common for one person, out of an entire workout group, to be the only registered USMS swimmer.
  - Discussion that at least one coach must be USMS registered and on deck (not in the water) to be covered by USMS insurance policy. There are challenges to getting coaches to take the courses.

Meeting adjourned at 12:42pm