

## **Oklahoma Masters Swimming Annual Meeting- 4/5/2014**

**Hideaway Pizza, 8222 E. 103<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite 130, Tulsa, OK**

Attendees: Dewey Smith, Glenn Storey, Dennis Wilson, Kirsten Fullerton, Kate Houck, Steve Johnson, Jon Dees, Todd Langley, Bruce Dart, Maria Ferguson, Stefin VonHartitsch, Tim Murphy, Colin Drysdale, Loida Delgado, George Villarreal, Elissa Bates, Denise Smart, Blair Brockman, Janet Latham, Chris Gill, Jocelyn Wood, Andrea Gillman, Kathy Keffer-Sharpe, Liz Lazar

The meeting was called to order at 3:22 by Chairman Dewey Smith. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from 2013. The motion passed.

Dewey asked for the officers' reports.

Registrar Loida Delgado: There are currently 185 members, which is down from the previous year. Dewey stated that numbers appear to be down everywhere and is not worried about our drop in membership. Loida stated that Lifetime fitness has now enrolled all of its swimming clubs as USMS clubs.

Treasurer Steve Johnson: The profit for 2013 was \$886. Ninety-six percent of it was re-allocated back to the clubs, with five clubs participating. Oklahoma has grown to eight clubs. The financial statement for 2013 has been filed, as well as with appropriate filings for non-profit status. Steve requested anyone who knows one of the 21 unattached swimmers to encourage them to join a club.

Sanctions Kirsten Fullerton: There have been 3 sanctioned meets since Kirsten took over and they have all gone well. Anyone interested in hosting a sanctioned meet needs to contact her.

Top 10/Records Sean Callan: Sean was not present, but Dewey stated that both the records and website have been updated regularly.

Safety Kathy-Keffer Sharpe: There was a minor incident at the Rose State meet that involved a scrape, but everything has been handled.

Webmaster Colin Drysdale: Colin stated that the website receives more than 100 visits per week, and over 3,000 per year. There are 18,000 page views per year. He recommended posting videos from USMS on the blog or Facebook rather than on the OMS site.

Officials Liaison Lloyd Landreth: Lloyd was not present, but Dewey stated that we had 6 officials at the meet today, as opposed to only 2 last year.

Unfinished Business: None

## **New Business:**

1. The USMS Convention will be held in Jacksonville, Florida on September 17-21. Dewey asked if we would like to nominate someone to attend. Chris Gill made a motion to send a representative from the club and Janet Latham seconded. The motion passed. Janet Latham made a motion to send Dewey Smith as our delegate and Andrea Gillman seconded. The motion to send Dewey to the Florida convention passed.

2. Communication within the LMSC. There needs to be a new mechanism for sending messages to all members of the LMSC. Currently, only a couple of people have access to the distribution list. This places an undue burden on them, as well as creating possible delays. Dewey expressed concern that we find a system that somehow alerts people that they have a message waiting. We need to find a system that ensures privacy of personal information, as well as allows for an option to unsubscribe. A constant contact list will also require someone to keep it current. Dewey suggested a task group be formed for deciding which communication method will work best. Colin Drysdale, Denise Smart, and Kirsten Fullerton volunteered to comprise the task group and determine which of the 4 options works best by the July 12<sup>th</sup> meet:

- A. Facebook page
- B. Constant Contact
- C. Gmail Account
- D. Yahoo Groups

3. Dewey announced the results of the Board's nomination for the Swimmer of the Year award. This year's award was awarded to Kathy Keffer-Sharpe. Kathy received one year's payment of dues to USMS and a gift card to Swim Outlet.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:51 pm.

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Andrea Gillman, OMS Secretary