



<b>SPMS Meeting Minutes</b>	
<b>November 15, 2012</b>	<b>Called to Order: 8:05 PM PDT</b>
<b>Type of meeting</b>	<b>Annual SPMS Committee Meeting</b>
<b>Facilitator</b>	Errol Graham - Chair
<b>Minutes</b>	Mary Hull - recording Secretary
<b>Attendees</b>	Chair – Errol Graham (West Hollywood Aquatics) Vice Chair – Mark Moore (Mission Viejo Nadadores) Treasurer – Bob Eberwine (South Bay Swim Club) Member at Large – Jacquie Cole (Long Beach Grunions) Registrar – Dan Wegner Newsletter Editor – Kim Thornton (Irvine Novaquatics) Top Ten Recorder – Kim Thornton (Irvine Novaquatics) Coaches Chair – Christine Maki (Covina Tri-Swim Masters) Swim Meet Services Coordinator - Trisha Commons (Mission Viejo Nadadores) Officials Chair – Robert Mitchell (Unattached) Open Water Chair - Tanya MacLean (Irvine Novaquatics) Mary Hull (Southwest Aquatics) – SW Zone Chair Michael Heather (Mission Viejo Nadadores) – USMS VP Admin. Ben Lovelace (Covina Tri-Swim Masters) Chris Lundie (Santa Clarita Masters) Lucy Johnson (Long Beach Swim Club) Mike Miranda (Long Beach Grunions) Alice Nash (Long Beach Grunions) Bart Parnes (Long Beach Grunions) Tom Trapp (Long Beach Swim Club) Greg Walther (West Hollywood Aquatics) Kathy Wingert (Long Beach Grunions) Alina de Armas (Official) Michael Ankeny (Official)
<b>MSP</b>	<b>October 18, 2012 Meeting Minutes - Approved</b>
<b>Officer Reports:</b>	
SPMS Chair: Errol Graham <a href="mailto:chair@spma.net">chair@spma.net</a> Errol gave an overview of the past year for SPMS including accomplishments - largest number of individual registrations (4,812) and also largest number of club registrations (96) in SPMS history – and also looking towards 2013 when SPMS will be hosting numerous national events (USMS Open Water Championships, USMS Summer Nationals in Mission Viejo, and USMS Annual Convention in Anaheim).  Errol acknowledged and thanked all committee members from the past year, especially Jessica Seaton who stepped down as the Chair of the Sports Medicine Committee, and Connie Barrett who stepped down as Secretary. He also thanked Mary Beth Windrath for her services as our outgoing Top Ten Recorder and thanked the new and continuing contractors (Dan - Registrar, Kim - Newsletter Editor and Top Ten Recorder, and Trisha - Swim Meet Services Coordinator) whose new two-year terms began on October 1 <sup>st</sup> .  Errol asked everyone to please let him know in advance of each meeting if there is something important that should be put on the agenda, especially if it is something that may be controversial or something	



that may require a vote. This way all committee members will have advance notice of important topics that are going to be discussed.

SPMS Vice Chair: Mark Moore [vicechair@spma.net](mailto:vicechair@spma.net)

(Meet Schedule update later in the meeting.)

SPMS Treasurer: Bob Eberwine [treasurer@spma.net](mailto:treasurer@spma.net)

Reports posted on the SPMS website (see links below):

Treasurer's Report

[http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115\\_Treasurer\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115_Treasurer_Report.pdf)

Balance Sheet

[http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/201211\\_Balance\\_Sheet.pdf](http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/201211_Balance_Sheet.pdf)

Income Statement

[http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/201211\\_Income\\_Statement.pdf](http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/201211_Income_Statement.pdf)

Budget versus Actuals

[http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/201211\\_Budget\\_vs\\_Actuals.pdf](http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/201211_Budget_vs_Actuals.pdf)

2013 Budget

[http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/2013\\_SPMS\\_Budget.pdf](http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/2013_SPMS_Budget.pdf)

Bob completed his follow-up with the SPMS delegates to the USMS Convention who needed to return their travel advances and reported that all checks have been returned.

Our biggest budget item for 2013 will be the USMS Convention as SPMS will have to spend money as host of the LMSC social, and also purchase T-shirts, lanyards, hospitality items, and expenses relating to pool time for convention delegates. There was a discussion on various options relating to convention expenses.

The budget is just about right on track, but the major differences for 2013 are that we are now reimbursing for certain travel expenses and we also now have a storage shed to house SPMS supplies and equipment.

Lucy brought up USMS' "Swimming Saves Lives Foundation" which provides grants to programs that provide opportunities for adults to swim. She proposed supporting the foundation by donating money to a program in the Santa Monica/Culver City area that will be teaching adults to swim. The program asked for \$5,000.00 from USMS and received \$2,500.00. Lucy suggested SPMS donate the \$2,500.00. After a discussion, it was suggested that we add \$5,000.00 to the budget for donations/grants. Some other changes were made in the budget as well and they will be posted.

**-MSP to approve the budget as amended.**

**-MSP to accept Bob's report**

SPMS Secretary: Robin Smith [secretary@spma.net](mailto:secretary@spma.net)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):

[http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115\\_Secretary\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmasterswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115_Secretary_Report.pdf)

Robin had prepared a list of SPMS Committee members who are eligible (based on meeting attendance) for reimbursement of 2013 SPMS registration fees and reimbursement of entry fees to the three 2012 SPMS Championship meets and two 2012 USMS National Championship meets:

Errol Graham, Mark Moore, Bob Eberwine, Mary Hull, Jacquie Cole, Jessica Seaton, Michael Heather, Dan Wegner, Karin Wegner, Trisha Commons, Phil Yoshida, Robert Mitchell, Kim Thornton, Christine



Maki, Tanya MacLean, Chris Lundie, Mike Miranda, Mike Collins, Connie Barrett, and Robin Smith.

**-MSP to also include entry fees for Open Water National Championships (and SPMS Championships) in the future.**

SPMS Member at Large: Jacquie Cole [memberatlarge@spma.net](mailto:memberatlarge@spma.net)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115\\_Member-at-Large\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115_Member-at-Large_Report.pdf)

Jacquie reported that the Awards Committee has received numerous nominations for the SPMS Swimmer of the Year Awards, and that the committee will be making their selections for the awards as well as the Jim Marcus Award and the Steve Schofield Award within the next week. The awards will be presented at the SPMS SCM Championships at Belmont Plaza at the beginning of next month.

**Contractor Reports**

SPMS Registrar: Dan Wegner [registrar@spma.net](mailto:registrar@spma.net)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115\\_Registrar\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115_Registrar_Report.pdf)

SPMS Newsletter Editor: Kim Thornton [newsletter@spma.net](mailto:newsletter@spma.net)

Kim is working with Jacquie on an article about the recipients of the SPMS awards for the January/February issue of the newsletter. Ben Lovelace will be writing another article as well.

SPMS Top Ten Recorder: Kim Thornton [topten@spma.net](mailto:topten@spma.net)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115\\_Top\\_Ten\\_Recorder\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115_Top_Ten_Recorder_Report.pdf)

Kim said all the results are posted on the website. A discussion was held in regards to pool measurements and the proper forms that need to be filled out.

**Standing Committee Reports:**

Coaches Committee: Christine Maki [coaches@spma.net](mailto:coaches@spma.net)

Christine reported that she is working on the third annual coach's clinic. Locations that are interested in hosting the clinic are Las Vegas and La Mirada. Christine also mentioned the upcoming ASCA courses: Level 1 and 2 will be held on February 10, 2013 at the Mission Viejo YMCA and Level 3 will be held on March 23, 2013 at the Rose Bowl Aquatics Center.

Marketing Committee: Anita Cole [marketing@spma.net](mailto:marketing@spma.net)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):

[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115\\_Marketing\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115_Marketing_Report.pdf)

Anita was not present but sent along a USMS co-branded banner for viewing. These banners look great and can be used to promote Masters Swimming and can be used at swim meets. Any club can obtain a banner from the USMS National Office free of charge and have their club name and club logo added alongside the USMS logo.



Meet Operations: Mark Moore [vicechair@spma.net](mailto:vicechair@spma.net)

Swim Meet Services Coordinator, Quartermaster, Awards: Trisha Commons [Trisha5swim@aol.com](mailto:Trisha5swim@aol.com)

Meet Operations:

Mark presented the 2013 meet schedule which is posted on the SPMS website (see link below):  
[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/2013\\_SPMS\\_Pool\\_Meet\\_Schedule.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/2013_SPMS_Pool_Meet_Schedule.pdf)

**-MSP to accept the bids from Santa Clarita for the SPMS Short Course Yards Championships and from the Long Beach Grunions for the Short Course Meters Championships at Belmont Plaza. [There will not be a Long Course Meters Championships because of the National Championships in Mission Viejo]**

Swim Meet Services Coordinator:

Trisha reported that SPMS had a swim meet at Mission Viejo and the Short Course Meters Championships will be at Belmont at the end of the month. Trisha also attended SCPPOA's November meeting. This month's topic was overcoming aquatic challenges in a "down" economy. Looking ahead to 2013, we will need to put in an order for ribbons (3,000), medals (600), and relay medals (800). The committee agreed that Trisha should go ahead and purchase the ribbons and medals now instead of waiting until the beginning of next year to do so.

Officials Committee: Robert Mitchell [officials@spma.net](mailto:officials@spma.net)

No Report.

Open Water Committee: Tanya MacLean [openwater@spma.net](mailto:openwater@spma.net)

Report posted on the SPMS website (see link below):  
[http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115\\_Open\\_Water\\_Report.pdf](http://www.spmastersswim.org/c/8B6A80C/file/meetings/2012/20121115_Open_Water_Report.pdf)

Tanya attended the Global Open Water Swimming Conference in Long Beach and she wrote an article for the newsletter. Tanya is also working on another article for a future issue of the newsletter.

Planning Committee: Lucy Johnson [lucyj6@mac.com](mailto:lucyj6@mac.com)

The planning committee has a meeting on November 29th and will be discussing strategies, values, visions, and objectives.

Sports Medicine Committee: Open

No Report.

Webmaster: Dan Wegner [registrar@spma.net](mailto:registrar@spma.net)

Dan is updating various web pages and posting information as he receives it, especially results from swim meets

**-MSP – approved all Committee Reports.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

None.



## **NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Miranda reported that the Long Beach Grunions has agreed to staff the hospitality suite at the USAS convention in Anaheim in September.

The next SPMS Committee meeting will be on the second Thursday of the month (January 10th) instead of the third Thursday because Errol is unable to attend on the following Thursday.

Starting in January, committee meetings will begin at 8:00 PM each month instead of alternating between 7:30 PM and 8:00 PM.

**Next conference call meeting will be held on Thursday, January 10, 2013 at 8:00 PM**

**Meeting Adjourned: 9:44 PM PDT**