

Minnesota Masters Swimming Board Meeting Minutes

Items	Discussion
1. Attendees:	Brian Cohn – Chair Brian Holthus – Vice Chair Nancy Kryka – Treasurer Tom Moore – Secretary Pam Ogden – Registrar Mike Abegg – Top Times Tricia Wallace (North Suburban Aquatic Club) Held Tuesday, January 18, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., At RH Stafford Library in Woodbury.
2. Agenda	Minnesota LMSC Board Meeting January 18, 2011 Agenda 1. Minutes of previous meeting 2. Report from the Treasurer – Nancy 3. Report from the Registrar – Pam 4. Review Goals for 2011 5. Grant Proposal Process – Brian H 6. Website Update – Pam 7. Logo Update – Brian H 8. Team Identity Merchandise Sales – Tricia 9. Pool Meets – Brian H 10. Eligibility for Top Times – Mike 11. Search for new Officials Chair – Brian C 12. Open Water Swims 13. Review of Open Action Items 14. New Business
3. Minutes of previous meeting	Minutes of 11/16 meeting were distributed prior to this meeting. Pam moved they be approved, Tricia seconded – Minutes approved as written.
4. Report from the Treasurer	Balance Sheet plus Profit and Loss Statement for end of calendar year: \$3,279 profit for year, \$79,528 cash on hand. Nancy is preparing for Year-End tasks. It was discussed an agreed that Nancy will purchase Quicken for Mac.
5. Report from the Registrar	562 swimmers registered for 2011 so far. That is over 60% of 2010 registration, plus we expect another surge of registrations prior to meets. Pam is following reminder schedule recommended by USMS to send reminders to 2010 swimmers to register for 2011.

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6. Review Goals for 2011	<p>The Executive Board met in December and outlined several goals for the Board for the upcoming year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 7 Successful Meets during the season <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Last year we had 6 meets, so we just need to add one more. Thought is 4 @ U of M + Pentathlon + Hopkins + St. Thomas • Special 25th Anniversary Minnetonka Challenge <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We want to make sure registration is open earlier this year and to see what help the board can provide for organization and/or prizes • Minimize # of 2010 swimmers not re-registering for 2011 under 20% <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are currently above average in terms of other LMSCs • Establish Grant Process and give away \$7,500 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We need to get the grant process in place asap so we can solicit proposals and start to give away our extra cash on hand • Put on a Skills Clinic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is to have clinic at White Bear Lake Y in late August and to have coaches from MIAC colleges participate. Brian H will coordinate with White Bear Y and Tricia will see if MIAC coaches will participate. We have a planning guide from USMS, but we need a point person to take the lead; Pam will ask for a volunteer. • Land the 2012 SwimFest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apparently the 2010 SwimFest lost more money than expected so the 2011 SwimFest is currently on hold. 2011 and/or 2012 may be split into regional clinics rather than 1 national clinic; in either case our goal will be to hold it in Minnesota. • Increase Board Meeting participation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We will continue to try and get additional volunteers involved. • Find strong candidates for Board Elections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We want to find 2 or 3 new people to run for the board elected positions so that we don't get back into a rut where the same board members stay in place. • Hold a Social Event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Goal is to hold an event in conjunction with the state meet; perhaps a spaghetti dinner after the afternoon session. Since it was Tom's idea to make this a goal, he was put in charge.
7. Grant Proposal Process	<p>Brian H has discussed with Chris Anderson what is required and hopes to have a document before the next meeting.</p>
8. Website Update	<p>Kudo's to Pam – the new website is terrific! Pam is now able to upload files and will be asking members for more photos to post. She will include the new logo when it is available.</p>

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9. Logo Update	Brian H will ask the Jason at Catalyst Studio to provide a Postscript file of the winning logo and Mike will do the file conversion to JPG, etc. so that we can use the logo on the website and in documents and for our merchandise.
10. Team Identity Merchandise Sales	Tricia hopes to have this up and running by next meeting.
11. Pool Meets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 30 U of M meet: • February 27 : St. Thomas meet: this will be a “free” meet; every swimmer will pay \$15 registration and receive \$15 gift card at meet • March 12 Hopkins meet: need to confirm with Scott Tripps • Brian H will talk to the U of M to see if we can make our fall meet SCM
12. Eligibility for Top Times	<p>‘Local’ records for our LMSC (used to be called “State” records) will be those set by a member of our LMSC, swum anywhere.</p> <p>‘Local Open’ records will be records set by any swimmer in a meet we host in our LMSC. Eligibility for both will follow same rules as USMS Top Times.</p>
13. Search for New Officials Chair	Roger Cersine is retiring. Mike Bougge will officiate at January meet and Brian C is working on finding a new chair to replace Roger.
14. Open Water Swims	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lake Harriet – Tina Neill • Minnetonka Challenge – Scott Tripps <p>We need to find a volunteer to be point person for Open Water Competition committee to help coordinate events. We need to consider the propriety of Tina sanctioning her own event if she is both event organizer and sanctioning chair – are we ok with that or do we need another person involved?</p>
15. Review of Open Action Items	All items all in progress or completed – see attached list.
16. New Business: Committee Chairpersons	Tom distributed a document prior to meeting outlining board responsibilities and board chair persons. All agreed that we’re on the right track!
17. Meeting Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 8pm so the library could close!
18. Next Meeting	<p>The Board will meet on the third Tuesday of each month:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 2/15 • Tuesday 3/15 <p>The next meeting will be Tuesday, February 15, 2011 at 6pm, location TBD</p>

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