

Minnesota Masters Swimming Committee - Board Meeting Minutes

Items	Discussion
1. Attendees:	<p>Brian Cohn – Chair Brian Holthus – Vice Chair Nancy Kryka – Treasurer Tom Moore – Secretary Pam Ogden – Registrar</p> <p>Sandra Frimerman Bergquist – Open Water & Safety Tricia Wallace – NSAC rep Karen Zemlin – HOPK rep</p> <p>Dave Bergquist Katie Melmer</p> <p>Held Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at 6:00 p.m., At Old Commerce Building in Bloomington.</p>
2. Agenda	<p>Minnesota Masters Swimming Committee Board Meeting June 28, 2011 - Agenda</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Minutes of previous meeting 2) Report from the Treasurer – Nancy <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Request for funding to update meet management software 3) Report from the Registrar – Pam 4) Sanctions Chair 5) Open Water Competition <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Lake Harriet b) Minnetonka Challenge c) White Bear Lake d) JJ Hill e) Open Water Swim Routes (Minneapolis Park Board) f) Posting of Sanction Information on website 6) Pool Competition <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Dates for 2011/2012 SCY season b) Bus for WI SCM meet 7) Postal Pentathlon 8) Fitness Events & Clinics <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) June: Dave Cameron Pacing Workout b) July Group Workout c) MN Masters Fall Clinic d) SwimFest 2012 9) Social Events 10) Nominating Committee for 2012/2013 Officers 11) Representatives for USAS Conference 12) KSTP Human interest Story 13) Review of Open Action Items 14) New Business
3. Minutes of previous meeting	<p>Minutes of 5/17 meeting were distributed prior to this meeting. Pam moved to approve, Nancy seconded. Minutes approved as written.</p>

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4. Report from the Treasurer	<p>2011 Year-To-Date continues to show several thousand dollars ahead of budget. Meet income has already exceeded planned budget and some meet expenses are not yet reflected. Miscellaneous expenses continue to track above budget due to non-budgeted expenditures for community events and meetings/travel. Overall, we continue to expect to end the year at balance or at a slight loss.</p> <p>Request for Funding for Update to Meet Management Software. New versions of Meet Manager (\$229) and Team Manager (\$125) are available. David indicated that the new features will be useful to us. The Exec Board recommended a non-budgeted expenditure and the board approved.</p>
5. Report from the Registrar	<p>906 swimmers registered for 2011 so far, which is tracking ahead of last year. There was a flurry of registrations ahead of the Lake Harriet swim.</p> <p>Scott Tripps plans to use “One Day” USMS registrations for the next 3 lake swims. Pam will coordinate with Scott how to handle collecting the \$12 fee and paper forms.</p>
6. Sanctions Chair	<p>Tina Neill resigned her position as Sanctions Chair. Brian C is currently acting sanctions chair. It was agreed to appoint Karen Zemlin as sanctions chair, beginning August 1 for both pool competition and open water events, with the expectation that Karen will work closely with Sandra on open water swims with Sandra serving as Open Water Coordinator and Safety Chair</p>
7. Open Water Competition	<p><u>June 25 – Lake Harriet 1 mile & 2 mile</u> This was a safe and successful day with 113 swimmers and 144 swims. Event Director Scott Tripps submitted a report (see attached).</p> <p><u>July 30 – Minnetonka 5 mile</u> Brian Cohn is working on Sanction. We discussed what the board wants to provide to commemorate the 25th year of this swim. Karen noted that this swim is known for awarding mugs and so providing mugs to all swimmers would be an appropriate gift. It was agreed to pay for ‘small’ mugs for all swimmers and ‘large’ mugs for winners. Tom suggested commemorative photos and Brian C volunteered to be the photographer and photo printer; the goal would be to take photos of participants at the start and deliver a printed photo to them at the finish, and then take photos at the finish and make them available online. Tricia is working on having colored caps printed with our logo; it was also agreed to make these available to Scott if he would like to use them.</p> <p><u>August 27 – White Bear Lake 5K (3.1 mile) – planning in progress</u></p> <p><u>September 10 – JJ Hills Days 2 mile & 1 mile – planning in progress</u></p>

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7. Open Water Competition (continued)	<p><u>Open Water Swim Routes</u> Tom notified the board about a Star Tribute article mentioning that the Minneapolis Parks Board is working on establishing open water swim routes in city lakes. It was agreed that Tom would contact the parks board and attend their meetings as a representative of MN Masters Swimming.</p> <p><u>Posting of Sanction Information on website</u> Brian C reminded everyone that per USMS rules, we need to post the sanction information for each event on our site prior to the event. The board agreed to purchase software for the webmaster's use to facilitate merging multiple PDF files into a master sanction document.</p>
8. Pool Competition	<p><u>Dates for 2011/2012 SCY Season</u> Brian H is working on dates for next year's season. The State Meet will be at St. Thomas instead of U of M.</p> <p><u>Wisconsin SCM Meet in December</u> It would cost appx \$2,000 to charter a bus for 20 people to attend the Wisconsin short course meters meet in December. It was agreed that this is too expensive and instead perhaps we can subsidize gas or hotel expenses if individuals choose to drive themselves to the meet.</p>
9. Postal Pentathlon	<p>Brian C. is point person for this. No new status.</p>
10. Fitness Events & Clinics	<p><u>June 30: Dave Cameron Pacing Workout</u> There are 28 confirmed RSVP's and 11 potential attendees, plus additional swimmers that plan to attend but have not yet RSVP'd. It was agreed to pay for the purchase of pizza for all swimmers after the workout as a social event.</p> <p><u>July: Minnetonka Group Workout</u> Minnetonka Masters is tentatively hosing a group workout in July.</p> <p><u>MN Masters Fall Clinic</u> We are aiming for the weekend of September 24/25. Brian H will contact the White Bear Lake Y to determine what pool time is available.</p> <p><u>SwimFest 2012</u> Tricia is working with the U of M to determine dates to propose to USMS. We will aim for August, which will allow both U of M long course availability plus outdoor lake swim options.</p>

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11. Social Events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 30: Pizza after Dave Cameron's Long Course pacing workout • July: Potential picnic event after Minnetonka Masters group workout • August: Bayfield Campout for Bayfield Swim. • August: Potential pizza night after NSAC long course group workout • September: Potential breakfast or lunch event before or after skills clinic • October: Potential annual meeting & awards banquet
12. Nominating Committee for 2012/2013 Officer Slate	Brian C asked Tom to run for the open Vice Chair position and Tricia to run for Secretary to backfill Tom
13. Representatives for USAS/USMS Convention	Due to our increased registrations, we are allowed to send a 3 rd delegate to the national convention. It was approved to spend the funds to do this and Pam will be our 3 rd delegate along with Tricia and Brian H.
14. KSTP Story	John Gross of KTSP is looking for suggestions for a "human interest" story about a swimmer that has overcome adversity. Send suggestions to Brian C.
15. Review of Open Action Items	All items in progress or completed. See attached list.
16. New Business	<u>Outreach to College Swimmers</u> Brian H suggested a program to educate college swimmers about Masters and encourage them to join
17. Meeting Adjourned	Meeting adjourned at 8:15pm. Thank you to the Frimmermans for hosting us!
18. Next Meeting	The Board will meet on the third Tuesday of each month: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 7/19 • Tuesday 8/16 The next meeting will be a virtual meeting on Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at 7pm, via an internet conferencing method.

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