

Florida Gold Coast LMSC Annual Meeting (12-12-15 at Coral Springs Aquatic Complex)

The meeting was called to order by Marty Hendrick, Chair, at the Coral Springs Aquatic Complex in Coral Springs Florida at 4:20 pm Saturday 12-12-15.

In Attendance:

Marty Hendrick, Kristin Volz, Linda Bostic, Andrea Woodburn, Barb Protzman, Sarah Bennett, Cav Cavanaugh, Debbie Cavanaugh, Steve Goldman, Megan Lassen, Rory Grigull, Thaddeus Gamory, Rob Declercq, Guilherme Ferreiro, Scott Woodburn, Eddie Ames, Ingrid Bon, Roy Sonenshein, Ricardo Valdivia, Robert Neuman, Gina Proscia, Patrick Billingsly, Colin Goldsmith, Jerry and Janice Marchbanks, Dale LeClair. Proxy for Jonathan Olsen, Richard Garza via Facetime.

Roll Call was taken by Chair, Marty Hendrick. **Voting members present:** Chair: Marty Hendrick, Vice Chair: Richard Garza (here via Facetime,) Secretary's Proxy for Jonathan Olsen: Cav Cavanaugh, Treasurer: Kristin Volz, Coaches Chair: Linda Bostic, Fitness: Megan Lassen, Officials: Steve Goldman, Open Water and Sanctions: Andrea Woodburn, Registrar and Newsletter: Barb Protzman, Top Ten: Sarah Bennett, Webmaster: Dale LeClair. Voting Club members from: AZFL, DAP, GOLD, PAQ, PBM, SFTL, and WOW.

Review of Minutes from Last Meeting, Sat May 30, 2015: Motion to approve by Cav Cavanaugh, 2nd by Eddie Ames, passed with unanimous approval.

Reports:

- **Chair-** Marty Hendrick brings up 3 issues in our LMSC;
 1. Lack of interest in involvement
 2. Lack of involvement in LMSC events (There have been as few as 3 people to show up to a meeting.) Need to get numbers up.
 3. No sanctioned open water events

We need to get more involvement as well as get and keep more members. This is a business. There are a few new teams that are really building their membership base; Azura,

Also time to get Convention Reports turned in if not already.

Officials Certification- more about this with Steve Goldman.

- **Vice Chair-** Richard Garza (Facetime conferenced in,) Updates on the Leadership Summit- really brought great ideas for helping LMSCs build and keep their numbers. He doesn't see himself in Florida for the long term, so is opening his position for a new nominee.
- **Treasurer-** Kristin Volz submitted Treasury report with current bank information to present day. Not a final report for 2015. Club refund checks to be issued and mailed this month. Conversation started by Marty about putting the statement on the website. **Objections:** by Cav Cavanaugh about the layout of the reports, wants line items for each section and also wants to make sure checks are only sent to clubs with attendance.
- **Coaches Chair-** Linda Bostic brought up the 'Adult Learn to Swim' training class coming here in January. Level 1 and 2 in Orlando in January.
- **Fitness Chair-** Megan Lassen wants to create a subcommittee to increase participation by all clubs in the USMS ePostal events. Suggests a percentage based award to be given at Awards Banquet to small and large teams. Perhaps an award for those completing all 5 events.
- **Officials Chair-** Steve Goldman proposed again that we need to reach into our non-competitive swim base to train more officials. Officials from Florida are having a meeting next month on ways to find more, and help with costs of Official certifications. Reminder about the new IM rules with back vs belly push offs.
- **Open Water-** Andrea Woodburn- In 2015 there were no USMS sanctioned events in our LMSC. Races are being sanctioned by the **World Open Water Swimming Association**. See USMS and/or Dixie Zone calendar for events.
- **Sanctions-** 10 pool sanctions were issued this year in our LMSC; 2 were cancelled for different reasons; no officials, other difficulty. Steve G added that we want to check the LSC for USA meets prior to setting meet, so officials aren't tied up elsewhere.
- **Registrar-** Barb Protzman- in 2015, Florida Gold Coast registered 1463 members (886 Men, 577 Women,) with 22 clubs. Lake Lytel will not be continued, but absorbed into another club. Reminder by Marty H that our LMSC has subsidized membership increases annually by USMS in the past, but this year, our members will pay \$2 for the increase.
- **Newsletter-** Barb Protzman- Send articles! Tries to put out 1 newsletter per quarter. Needs input from all of you.

- **Top Ten-** Sarah Bennett- Nothing to report, but would be happy if someone else would like to take her spot.
- **Webmaster-** Dale LeClair- Please send her info about upcoming events, the sooner the info is in her hands, the sooner it gets onto website. If you send it, she puts it! She'd like to update the site, needs new software. Chair Marty says it's within limit and is ok.

Elections (2 year term effective January 1, 2016)

Nominations for:

- **Chair-** Debbie Cavanaugh nominates Marty Hendrick, Andrea Woodburn 2nds. Marty tries for other nominations, Steve G moves to close, Cav C 2nds.
- **Vice Chair-** Marty H nominates Linda Bostic, Thaddeus Gamory 2nds. Cav moves to close, Steve 2nds.
- **Secretary-** Kristin Volz nominates Megan Lassen, Cav nominates Jonathan Olsen, finds out he's interested in letting someone else take over, so Cav withdraws and 2nds Megan. Gina Proscia nominates Patrick Billingsly, Richard Garza 2nds. Patrick and Megan spoke on their own behalves; Richard G spoke on Patrick's. Voting ensued.
- **Treasurer-** Kristin Volz nominates Eddie Ames, Thaddeus G 2nds. Steve moves to close, Andrea 2nds.

Voting for secretary happens and votes are passed out to teams in attendance and per their number of swimmers. Megan Lassen will take Secretary in 2016.

Board effective Jan 1, 2016:

Chair- Marty Hendrick

Vice Chair- Linda Bostic

Secretary- Megan Lassen

Treasurer- Eddie Ames

NEW BUSINESS:

Marty puts forth Catherine Russ for **open water committee chair and Thaddeus Gamory for Saftey Chair**. Linda B moves to accept, Andrea W 2nds. Motion approved.

Insurance is a big deal. Marty is opening discussion about meet hosts and amount due to LMSC/ and amount to USMS

Andrea: Our LMSC charged \$30, but USMS did not charge. Now USMS is charging the LMSC \$50, thinks USMS is the only one who should be in charge of sanctions now with the changes and the online system introduced a few years back. All sanction business can be done online through USMS, including payment. Chair will inquire with USMS about our LSMC becoming a “pilot” program for USMS handling sanctions.

Debby C moves that: FGC LMSC charges \$50 to sanction the meet (so that the host pays for the entire meet fee, but no more to the LMSC at this time. LMSC ends up even.) Barb Protzman 2nds. But Barb does not think FGC should get nothing. Barb closes, Sarah seconds.

Passed: The FGC LMSC will now charge meet host \$50 to cover USMS costs of sanctioning meet.

Andrea W. would like to move toward not having her position, as this is all computer generated with USMS now.

Adult Learn to swim teachers training class: (\$300.) Marty would like to subsidize/ budget a number of dollars per year to send our members to these classes.

Motions: to have 5 full scholarships to adult learn to swim/

Debbie moves to put aside \$1500, and however many people ask to attend, \$ gets divided among those. People will get their money after taking class and showing receipt. If the money is not entirely used, LMSC gets that back. Linda amends that we put 1500 for USMS level 1 and 2 in jan in Orlando. Caveat for scholarship: any FGC LMSC registered member

Revised Motion: \$1500 will be put aside by FGC LMSC for scholarships to applying members of FGC to go to the ‘Adult Learn to Swim’ teacher’s training class in January 2016 in Fort Lauderdale. AND \$1500 will be put aside by FGC LMSC for scholarships to applying members of FGC to go to the Level 1 and 2 Coaches training in Orlando in January 2016. The money will be divided up to as many members of FGC LMSC as apply, yet will not go over the cost of the class. Debbie moves to close, Linda 2nds. Motion passed.

Set: Budget meeting in February on second day of the Masters Challenge meet in Fort Lauderdale. Motion passed.

The whole LMSC has been asked to join Broward YMCA for YMCA Nationals in 2016, so we can come together as a team. Debbie C is the point of contact. Motion passed to have Barb P use our member base to send out information on this alliance.

The 2016 Awards banquet will be held at GiGis again.

Adjournment- Motion to close meeting by Cav C, Gina P 2nds, motion approved and meeting adjourned at 5:58 pm.

Submitted by Megan Lassen, acting Secretary for Jonathan Olsen, Florida Gold Coast LMSC