

The next Florida Gold Coast LMSC board meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2026 in the conference room at the Fort Lauderdale Aquatic Center, following the Saturday session of the June Krauser LCM meet. The meeting will begin immediately following the last event of the day which is estimated to be around 2:00 pm. There is also a Zoom option if you are unable to attend in person (instructions below).

All Board members and committee chairs should plan to attend. NOTE: All LMSC meetings are open to all registered United States Masters Swimming (USMS) members within the Florida Gold Coast LMSC. All are welcomed to attend. If you have any items you would like to add to the agenda, please email: tmurph893@gmail.com.

July 11, 2026

1. Thomas Murphy PBM, Linda Bostic PBM, Dave LeClair PBM, Dale LeClair PBM, Larry Caldwell PBM, Cecilia McCloskey SFTL, John Janszen SFTL, Cav Cavanaugh GOLD, Debbie Cavanaugh GOLD, Hubie Kerns SFTL, Victor Aimi SFTL, Josiah Morales PAQ, Barb Protzman GOLD, Catherine Rust PBM.
2. Approval of Minutes: Last Meeting: Tuesday, April 28, 2026
Minutes Approved
3. Reports of Officers:

Chair – Thomas - Recap of Officials Clinic.

Dale LeClair, our longtime LMSC Treasurer is stepping down from the position. We wish her and Dave the best. Larry Caldwell has been working with Dale on the transition of the office of treasurer.

Do we have a Motion to elect Larry Caldwell as the LMSC Treasurer? Motion made to elect Larry Caldwell as Treasurer. Motion seconded. Vote unanimous to elect Larry Caldwell as the LMSC Treasurer.

Vice Chair – Linda. No report

Secretary – Catherine. Thanked all for approving minutes by email and reminder that emails are only to approve the minute not to initiate discussions.

Treasurer – Dale. Acct Balance as of 7/5/26 \$35,309.13

Banquet Summary: Ticket Sales: \$2,583.47, Total cost: \$6,555.23

Payment to SFTL \$500.00. for hosting 2-day meet

4. Reports of Committees

Membership Coordinator/Editor (Barb): Barb sent out membership numbers. The LMSC is close to the 2025 YTD.

Sanctions (Elaine): No new meets applied for sanctions.

Top 10 (Amanda): All Top 10 have been submitted – except Ft. Lauderdale LCM as official results are not yet available.

Officials/Safety (Thomas): Officials clinic was a success. Thank you to Thomas and SFTL.

Webmaster (Dale): John has volunteered to take over website position with Dale leaving.

Open Water (Catherine): Several non USMS sanctioned events in the area have been well attended. USMS has had an increase in open water sanctioned events this year.

Coaches: John Janszen

Awards/Fitness - Open Positions Anyone want these positions?

5. Unfinished Business:

Banquet – Discussion of the banquet included low attendance and reasons. Discussion of the awards. Discussion of the missing SFTL awards.

LMSC Meet Hosts – Motion to approve the requirements to receive incentive for hosting meet as submitted by Thomas. Motion seconded. Vote unanimous to approve.

New Business:

Annual Meeting - Virtual September 18-19

1. Thomas Murphy
2. Barb Protzman
3. Linda Irish Bostic
4. John Janszen
5. Catherine Rust (automatic)
6. Kristoff Kertez (automatic)

Relay – Denver, CO September

1. Barb Protzman
2. Catherine Rust
3. Elaine Joggerst
4. Matthew Marvin

Coaches Clinic – LMSC will contribute to costs for those attending.

1. Linda Irish Bostic
2. Amanda Janszen (confirmation pending)

Motion for LMSC to pay participants at Relay and Coaches Clinic for tickets to attend the Golden Goggles banquet. Cost per ticket \$175.00/Attendee. Motion seconded.

Motion Passes

Meeting Adjourned

Florida Gold Coast LMSC Meet Sanction & Hosting Incentive Policy

The Florida Gold Coast LMSC will provide a meet hosting incentive of **\$250 per day** to clubs hosting a sanctioned USMS Masters swim meet within the LMSC. [LMSC meeting April 28, 2026]

Eligibility Requirements

To qualify for funding:

- The meet must be officially sanctioned through USMS.
- The hosting club must remain in good standing with the LMSC.
- The meet information and sanction application must be fully approved prior to payment issuance.

Payment Process

- The Sanctions Chair will notify the Chair and Vice Chair once the meet sanction has been approved and published.
- Upon verification, the Chair and/or Vice Chair will authorize the Treasurer to issue payment to the hosting club via check or Zelle.
- Funding is intended to assist with upfront meet hosting expenses and should be distributed prior to the start of the meet whenever possible.

Cancellation and Repayment

- If a meet is canceled prior to the start of competition, all distributed funds are expected to be returned to the Florida Gold Coast LMSC.
- A weather related cancellation or interruption occurring during the meet will not require repayment of distributed funds.
- Failure to return distributed funds when required may result in forfeiting eligibility for funding for the club's next hosted meet.

Meet Sanctions

- A team that does not meet the Sanction requirements for an event are henceforth required to submit a \$200 deposit for the next sanction they request above the sanctioning fee. Deposit to be returned to team upon successful completion of all sanction requirements related to second event. [12/4/2011 LMSC meeting]

Authority

The Florida Gold Coast LMSC reserves the right to review all funding requests and determine eligibility based on compliance with USMS sanction requirements and LMSC policies.

Florida Gold Coast LMSC Officials Certification Reimbursement Policy

Passed December 6, 2025, Annual Meeting

The Florida Gold Coast LMSC will reimburse the \$45 USA Swimming officials certification exam fee for individuals seeking to become certified officials within the LMSC.

Eligibility Requirements

To qualify for reimbursement:

- The individual must successfully complete the required USA Swimming official's certification exam(s).
- The individual must take and pass the **USMS Officials Supplemental** online test.
- Once completed, the results of both the USA Swimming certification and USMS Officials Supplemental test must be forwarded to the USMS Officials Committee and the Florida Gold Coast Officials Chair.
- The individual must work a minimum of two (2) sanctioned Masters meets within the Florida Gold Coast LMSC after certification.

Officials Equipment and Clinic Benefits

Upon obtaining USA Swimming certification and successfully completing the USMS Officials Supplemental test, a new Florida Gold Coast LMSC official is eligible to receive:

- One (1) USMS Officials polo shirt
- One (1) official name tag

In addition, if the Florida Gold Coast LMSC hosts an Officials Clinic, participants may receive:

- A USMS Officials polo shirt (new officials)
- An official name tag (new officials)
- A current USMS rule book

Items provided through either program are subject to availability and approved LMSC funding. The Florida Gold Coast LMSC reserves the right to limit duplicate items issued to the same individual.

Reimbursement Process

After completing the two meet requirement, the official may submit:

- Proof of payment for the certification exam fee.

Once verified by the Officials Chair or designated LMSC representative, reimbursement will be processed by the Treasurer.

Additional Information

- The Florida Gold Coast LMSC reserves the right to review eligibility and verification requirements prior to issuing reimbursement.
- Reimbursement is limited to the cost of the USA Swimming official's certification exam fee and does not include travel, lodging, membership fees, or other associated expenses unless separately approved by the LMSC Board.