OMS March 2019 Meeting — Teleconference

Committee Name: Oregon Masters Swimming Session #: n/a

Committee Chair: Tim Waud Vice Chair: Robbert Van Andel

Minutes recorded by: Kristina Franklin Date/time of meeting: 11 Mar. 2019, 7:00 pm PDT

Actions Items:

- 1. Jim Teisher will go to the Thunderbolt board meeting on Wednesday, March 13, and propose \$1000 for the equipment rental and \$20/hour for the computer specialist for the OMS Association Championship meet. If not accepted, Jim will propose taking the scoreboard and computer specialist out of the discussion. Tim Waud will work with Jim for the negotiation tactics.
- 2. Robbert Van Andel will get the OMS Association Championship meet information ready to go out so registration can be open and info can be sent to OMS members.
- 3. Tim Waud will send out surveys for the Oregon City Spring Ahead Meet.
- 4. Matt Miller will publish the July 6th LCM meet in Federal Way on the OMS website so OMS membership is aware.
- 5. Tim Waud will follow through to USMS to make sure that last year's minutes are submitted by the April 30th deadline.
- 6. Bob Bruce will submit relays from the one-hour postal times to USMS.
- 7. Each OMS board member is to send in two nominations of OMS members who are not board members to be awards voting members.

Motions Passed:

- 1. Motion to approve February 2019 meeting minutes made by Sandi Rousseau, seconded by Kermit Yensen. Motion passes unanimously.
- 2. Motion to allow the Oregon Club to use our LSMC conference call info. Motion made by Sandi Rousseau, seconded by Kermit Yensen. Motion passes unanimously.

Number of board members present: 14 Absent: 8 Number of guests present: 1

Board members present (list all, including chair and vice chair):

Tim Waud (Chair)

Robbert Van Andel (Vice-Chair, Sanctions)

Kermit Yensen (Treasurer)

Kristina Franklin (Secretary)

Bob Bruce (Long Distance)

Christina Fox (Membership)

Colette Crabbe (Fitness)

Joy Ward (Safety)

Marlys Cappaert (Program Development)

Matt Miller (Webmaster, Coaches co-chair)

Nancy Vincent (OREG Club Rep)

Sandi Rousseau (USMS Rep)

Steve Darnell (Records)

Susie Young (Registrar)

Guests present:

Jim Teisher

Committee Members Absent:

Alice Zabudsky (AquaMaster Editor)

Barry Fasbender (USMS Rep)

Gary Whitman (Data Manager)

Ginger Pierson (Payments Administrator)

Committee Members Absent, continued:

Jacki Allender (Officials) Jeanna Summers (Souvenirs) MJ Caswell (Top Ten) Sara Shehperd (Awards, Coaches co-chair)

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:00.

- 1. Roll Call
- 2. Review Agenda- Tim
- 3. OMS Association Champs- guest Jim Teisher
 - a. T-shirt design is not quite ready, but we are ready to distribute the information.
 - b. Thunderbolts want to charge us \$3000 to rent the equipment for the meet. They are going to have a meeting on Wednesday, which Jim is planning to attend. Per Tim- we figure the pool rental will be \$200/hour and up depending on factors such as lifeguard experience. Current estimate total is \$4200 for pool rental. It is the responsibility of the host to provide volunteers for the meet (timers, etc.). However, the Thunderbolt team does not have a volunteer requirement, so there may be a difficulty in having enough timers for the event. They are also asking for \$75/hour for a computer specialist to be on site during the meet in case there are problems with the scoreboard. **Jim will offer \$1000 for the equipment rental and \$20/hour for the computer specialist.** Rough guess is we would need 15-17 hours of time from the computer specialist.
 - c. What are our options to minimize costs?
 - i. Borrowing the touch pads from a different pool. Possibly if we can get permission, but moving around the equipment is not necessarily the best. This is generally considered too risky. Oregon City may be able to send their equipment over, but there may not be enough touch pads. This would mean we would operate the meet without a scoreboard.
 - ii. Make the best deal we can with the Thunderbolts. What can we do if they reject our offer?
 - iii. To continue to minimize equipment costs, we could go without a score board for the meet. This can be part of the negotiations with the Thunderbolt board.
 - iv. Discussion about other enticements we could use for negotiations. Is there anything we can offer them for open water swims? Bob is not aware that this would be an enticement to the Thunderbolt team.
 - v. Discussion about a fall-back position of using Oregon City's pads to eliminate the equipment rental fee at Tualatin Hills. We would then give Oregon City enough of a rental fee in return to partially cover the cost of two new touch pads.
 - d. Jim will go to the Thunderbolt board meeting on Wednesday and propose our offer and if not accepted, taking the scoreboard and computer specialist out of the discussion. Tim will work with Jim for the negotiation tactics.
 - e. We should consider adding a future clause to ensure that there are reparations if the scoreboard does not work for a portion of the meet. It seems like we are at a high risk of having equipment that is not going to work very well.
 - f. Where are we going to find the volunteers? The host is responsible for providing volunteers, but this may not be something they can do easily.
- 4. Approve February 2019 minutes- Kristina
 - a. Meeting minutes have been renamed to "OMS Year Month Day" for better sorting.

b. **Sandi moves to approve January minutes.** Motion seconded by Kermit. Motion passes- minutes are approved.

5. Vice Chair's Report-Robbert

- a. **Robbert will get the OMS Association meet information ready to go out.** The open water swim information will go out a little bit after the OMS Association meet info goes out.
- b. Tim will send out a survey for the Oregon City Spring Ahead meet soon.
- c. Sandi has an announcement that Federal Way will host a LCM meet on Saturday, July 6th. It's already on their web site. **Matt will publish it on the OMS website so our people will be aware.**

6. Treasurer's Report- Kermit

- a. February 2019 Financials- we're way ahead of what the straight-line budget would suggest, but it is still early in the year.
- b. Kermit did get information about submitting LSMC annual minutes and yearly LSMC financial information by April 30th. We have not submitted last year's meeting minutes yet. **Tim will follow through to make sure that last year's minutes are submitted.** Kermit has already submitted the financial standard survey.

7. Long Distance/Open Water- Bob

- a. The one-hour swim is finished for 2019. We had 92 OMS athletes. There were some top-level performances. The relays open up tomorrow, and **Bob will submit those tomorrow**.
- b. Bob submitted the application for the 2021 one-hour postal. We need to think of ideas to boost the number of entries substantially. To make it more of a money maker, we need to boost the number of athlete participation. The Swim Fitness series cuts into the one-hour postal swim registration significantly. Organization will need to start this fall if we are awarded the postal.
- c. Matt has acquired the permission from the Eugene pool for the pool rental for long-distance postals on Memorial Day weekend. Saturday the 25th of May from 2-8 pm.
- d. Foster Lake on June 29th. We don't have the USA sanctions yet. Dual sanctions makes the organization more difficult, but we are moving forward.
- e. For the second year in a row, the Portland Bridge Swim is a sanctioned event. They have increased the number of swimmers.
- f. Applegate swim is sanctioned, but is not open yet.
- g. Cascade Lakes series at Elk Lake is sanctioned, but is not open yet.
- h. For Eel Lake and Lake of the Woods swims, Matt will be able to provide more information later this week.

8. USMS Leadership Summit-Tim

- a. Tim will be able to provide a more comprehensive report in April.
- b. USMS surveys the different LSMC's about their budgets. We know we have more money than we need, but we have been working on a deficit budget. There may be extra money in our bank accounts, and it may seem like we have too much money, but there is a reason we are keeping extra money on the books. We are organized as a non-profit separate from the USMS.

9. Awards- Sara Shepherd (through Tim)

- a. Sara is still working on the data for awards. From the email blast, we did receive enough nominations for the awards. There are nominations for board members. Usually the entire board is made aware of the nominations and if that particular board member is nominated, they will recuse themselves.
- b. Tim asks that each person on the board send in two nominations for non-board members to be awards voting members.
- c. Sandi moves to allow the Oregon Club to use our conference call info. Kermit seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

10. General Good-of-the-Order

- a. On Tuesday, March 12 at 5:30 Pacific Time there will be an Adult Learn to Swim conference call. Sandi will forward the info to anyone who wants it.
- 11. Motion to adjourn at 8:17.

Tasks for the Upcoming Year

1. Refer to Action Items list, above.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:17 PM.