

## **Gulf LMSC Meeting Wednesday, April 19, 2017**

### **Attendance**

Bruce Rollins (President), Kris Wingenroth (Vice-President, Sanctions), Kevin Lunsford (Secretary), Elaine Rollins, Bruce Williams (Registrar), Stacey Eickes (Top Ten Recorder), Karlene Denby (News Letter), Mark Hahn (Treasurer), Jackie Busa, Robin Tompkins (Fitness), Melessa Weininger, Nicole Rembach (Website/Communications), Liz Fields

### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. at Dad's Club. MSA for the minutes from Gulf LMSC meeting on February 1, 2017.

### **Officer Reports -**

- President (Bruce Rollins):

Bruce gave a recap of the LMSC Summit held on March 10-12, 2017.

Highlights of the Summit included focusing on non-competitive swimmers since only 20% of Gulf Swimmers participate in pool meets. The national average was 25% for pool meets, 14% for open water, 12 % for triathlons and 5% for postal events.

Based on surveys conducted by USMS, USMS participants have a diverse range of experience and generally swim for health and wellness benefits. The surveys indicated that the perception is that USMS is only for elite competitive swimmers that are 50 and older.

The surveys also indicated that clinics appeared to be the best way for the LMSC to reach the non-competitive swimmers. Other ways to reach the non-competitive swimmers include having fun events and socials.

Bruce gave presentations on staffing, budgeting and LMSC Standards at the Summit. The presentations can be found at the following website <http://www.usms.org/gto/lmscsummit>. As a result of discussions at the LMSC Summit, Bruce would like to change the Gulf LMSC bylaws pertaining to the Top Ten Recorder. The revised bylaws should explicitly state that the Top Ten Recorder is in charge of submitting world records and that elected officers and committee chairs should be USMS registered before the end of the year following the annual meeting.

Bruce requested that people donate old medals so that he can use them for kids swimming programs.

- Vice President/Sanctions (Kris Wingenroth):

Sanctions have been issued for the Summer Sizzler and the Summer Long Course Meets

- Treasurer (Mark Hahn):

The current ending bank balance as of March 3, 2017 is \$28,855.62 in checking and \$30,000.00 in CDs for a total of \$58,855.62. Financials were sent to USMS and the 990 form was filed with the IRS. There was a disbursement of \$2,266.85 to Peggy Hines. These funds were donated to Gulf LMSC in memory of Emmett Hines.

- Secretary (Kevin Lunsford):

Gulf LMSC 2016 Annual Meeting minutes were submitted to the National Office.

- Registrar (Bruce Williams):

As of April 18, 2017, there were 1,177 registered swimmers in the Gulf and 32 clubs registered.

- Top Ten Recorder (Stacey Eickes):

Stacy gave a recap of the South Central Short Course Zone Meet at the Woodlands. There were 193 swimmers at the meet with about 1,000 individual event entries. Stacey was praised for stepping into this position

- Officials (Herb Schwab) Not Present

- Communications (Nicole Rembach):

Nicole discussed the long course zone meet. Nicole reported that she had contacted hotels and swim t-shirt vendors. She would like to have about 250 registered swimmers at the meet.

- Newsletter (Karlene Denby):

The newsletter is about almost done but is waiting for the cartoon to be submitted.

- Coaches/Fitness (Robin Tompkins):

Bruce presented a recap of the Gulf Swim University challenge. He reported that there were about 80 participants in the event. He also reported that there will be a swim clinic at the Conoco Philips facility on June 10 and June 26. The pool rental is about \$250, and there is room for about 36 participants. There was a discussion of the summer tri distance swim event for fitness swimmers. It was agreed that the key to getting participation in the fitness events is to get the coaches to assist in promoting the events.

- Coaches (Steve White): Not Present

### **Old Business**

Bruce had an agenda item on whether to promote the 2017 World Corporate Games Open Water Swim in November but it was not discussed at this meeting.

### **New Business**

The USMS Convention will be held in Dallas Texas on September 13-17.

Tom Boak, Carolyn Boak, Kris Wingenroth, Bruce Rollins are automatic attendees.

The Gulf is allowed three additional delegates. Stacey Eickes would like to go, and Karlene Denby and Bruce Williams are contemplating attending.

MSA for approved Gulf LMSC Convention attendees:

Tom Boak, Carolyn Boak, Kris Wingenroth, Bruce Rollins and Stacey Eickes

### **Calendar**

Gulf Masters Swim Meet Dates:

June 25, 2017                  Summer Sizzler LCM Meet                  Dads Club

July 21-23, 2017              SC Zone LCM Championship Meet    College Station, TX  
Texas A&M

The next Meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 21, 2017 at Dads Club.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.