

Hawaii Masters Swimming Association
321 Pukalani Street
Makawao, HI 96768



HMSA Board Meeting (Conference Call)

October 18, 2015

Called to order 8:10 p.m.

Attending: Malcolm Cooper (Chair)
Dustin Fukuda (Vice Chair)
Kevin Drake (Secretary)
Shannon Wigent (Kauai Rep)
Sandy Drake (Officials Chair)
Toni Sinnott (Registrar)
Steve Boroski (Big Island Rep)

I. Old Business

- A. Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on March 29, 2015 on Oahu had not been fully reviewed by the Board and will be submitted to members for online review and approval during November.
- B. Discussion of expense items, approved at the annual meeting, included paying coaches for Learn to Swim programs, a special recognition award for Joe Lileikis of Oahu Club Masters, and reimbursement of Board Member travel expenses to meetings. HMSA will continue to support circuit meets on all islands by absorbing USMS sanction fees, waiving entry fees, and paying officials.
- C. Big Island is considering holding a Masters meet at the end of USA Swimming age group meet, or a Wednesday evening meet. For times to be official, a USA Swimming referee needs to be present and will appoint USMS swimmers to official. The pool will also need to be measured. "Practice" meets were discussed as a way to build support for more formal circuit meets. Kauai has three USMS swimmers on the island, with no one currently interested in meets.

II. New Business

- A. Under consideration will be the proposal to keep the HMSA share of the annual registration fee unchanged at \$10. At that amount, USMS registration for 2016 will be \$49. Based on

that, the annual budget will be presented to the Board at a short meeting before the end of November.

- B. There was discussion about setting one event fees for open water events. Because there are no USMS sanctioned events scheduled and likely not to be through 2016, there was no action taken.
 - C. The 2016 USMS Long Course Swimming Championships are in Portland, OR from August 17 to 25. A few Maui swimmers have indicated an interest in attending and there will be ongoing announcements to membership promoting Hawaii Masters attend the meet, entering relays, etc. It was noted that a swimmer can change membership to Hawaii Masters 30 days after swimming for another club.
 - D. Given that HMSA current has nearly \$45,000, worthwhile spending suggestions were solicited, including an increased funding for LTS to pay coaches for FREE LTS lessons in 2016, membership building incentives for clubs, prizes for USMS swimmers in competitions (e.g. North Shore Series), and reimbursing clubs for coach wages. One suggestion was to award three clubs for most registered USMS swimmers with cash or a gift card, \$500, \$250, \$150. This will be explored to finalize detailed and presented at the next Board meeting.
- III. No other new business was submitted for consideration. Online meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kevin Drake, Secretary, October 18, 2015.